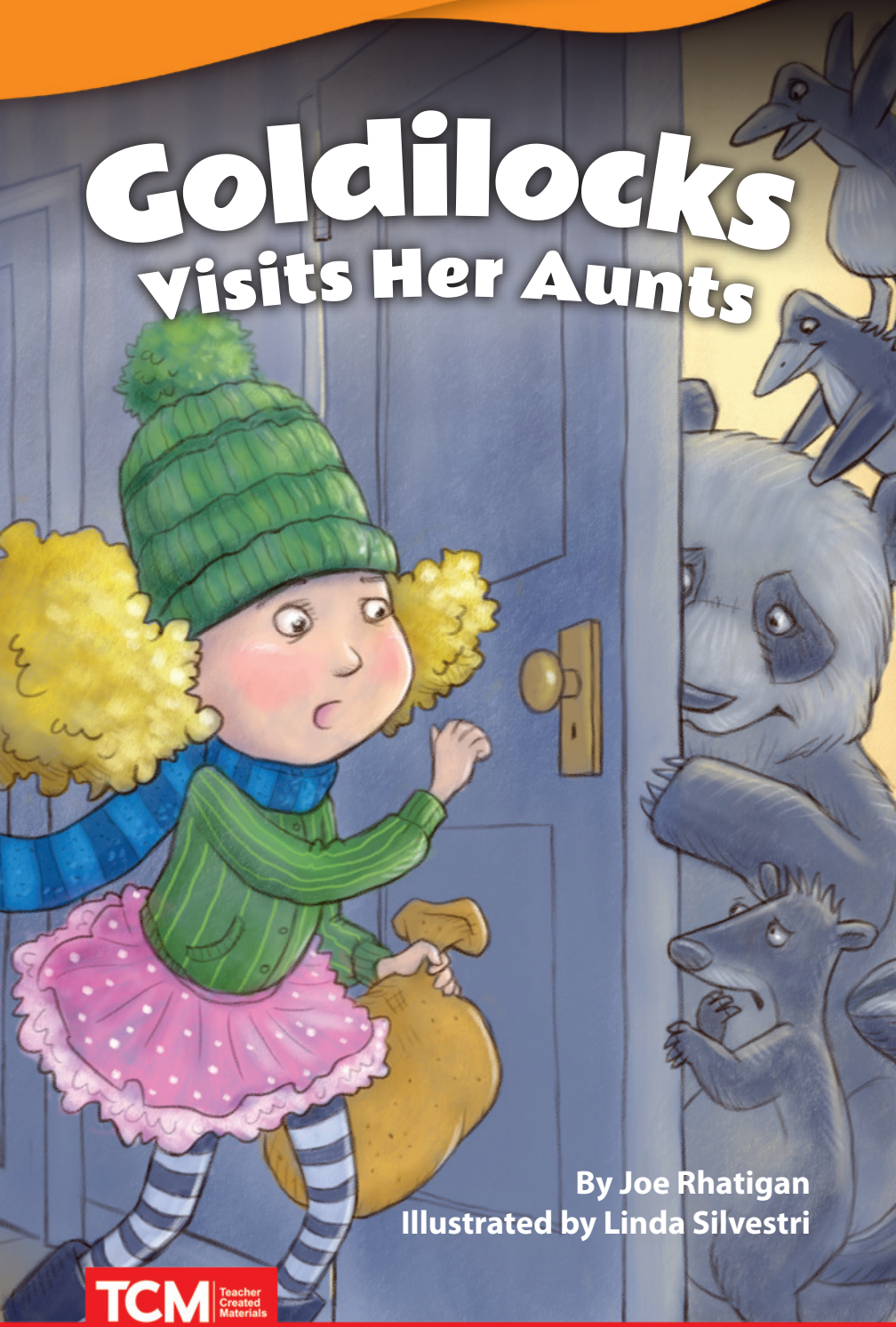

Goldilocks
Visits Her Aunts
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CHAPTER ONE



Goldilocks Gets an Idea

Goldilocks awoke one fine winter's day
with an idea that pleased her greatly.
"I'm going to visit my aunts in the city,
since I haven't seen them lately."

Her parents cringed and hemmed and hawed,
in hopes of finding a way to say no.
They loved their daughter very much,
and they didn't want her to go.

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Her dad said, "Do you recall not long ago,
you broke into the house down the block?
You bothered those bears, who have since
moved away,
having never gotten over the shock!"

"I'm older now," said Goldilocks.
"And I would never again intrude
on anyone's home or break their stuff.
I realize now that's rude."



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"But your aunts are all strange," her mother said.
"and the city so large and wild."
And to themselves her parents thought:
And a bad place for a troublesome child!

Of course, Goldilocks got her way,
even though her parents were tense.
They needed something to give to the girl
who didn't have much common sense.

"We agree to let you go,
but only on one condition.
You must take along this special bag
we bought from a magician."

Goldilocks grabbed the canvas bag,
and placed a hand inside.
"Wait a minute, this bag is empty!"
the spoiled, bewildered girl cried.

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CHAPTER TWO



Goldilocks in the City

Goldilocks took the bus to the train,
and walked for some time in the snow.
Even without the directions,
she remembered which way to go.

Finally, the building with a revolving door!
Goldilocks spun twenty times around
and then launched herself toward the lobby,
landing dizzily on the ground.

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"I love to spin!" yelled Goldilocks,
as she walked to the elevator.
When the door opened, an otter got off
with his good friend alligator.

The otter politely held open the door.
Goldilocks pushed her way in and said nothing.
The otter looked at the gator and said,
"That girl's rudeness is simply disgusting!"

Goldilocks pressed all the buttons inside,
which caused one kangaroo to complain,
because instead of going straight up,
they stopped again and again and again.

After ten minutes or so,
the elevator was at the right floor.
"Oh, no," Goldilocks sadly exclaimed,
"I can't remember which door!"

She'd lost her cell phone on the train,
so she couldn't text or call.
With a groan and a moan, she came to see
that she'd have to knock on them all!

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Book Club Questions

1. What do you like about how Goldilocks behaves? What do you dislike?
2. What would you do with a magical bag?
3. If you were one of the three bears, how would you describe Goldilocks's behavior?
4. How does Goldilocks begin to change as she tries to find her aunts?
5. What can you do when people are being rude or inconsiderate to you?
6. Can you recall a time when you could have been more polite? What would you do differently?

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