

Early Literacy Story time

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Skill: Narrative Skill

Age Level: 2- 5 years

Introduction: Today's pre-reading skill is narrative skills. This is the ability to describe things and events and tell or retell stories.

Props: 3 bowls, 3 chairs, 3 beds, (can be blankets folded into different sizes to represent beds) and Goldie Locks (a doll or a volunteer from the group.)

Title: "The Three Bears" any version

- 1. Read the story emphasizing or adding words like "first," "next," and "then." These will help children order the story.**
- 2. Take the children to an area where the props have been set up to represent the home of the three bears. Tell the children they will pretend to be the bears coming home from a walk. Act out the story. Have the child pretending to be Goldie Locks, hide in baby bear's bed and jump up and run away.**
- 3. End the group with "Teddy Bear Teddy Bear Turn Around" song or other bear song of your choice.**

Closing Aside on Early Literacy:

Narrative skills, which includes the ability to retell stories, is one of the early literacy skills. Researchers say children need to understand what they read. Using things you have around the house as props can help children remember a story and retell it.