Rewrite a Story from a Different Perspective

Directions: Select one of the following stories, and rewrite it, telling the same events from the point of view of an antagonist (villain or bad guy). Be sure the reader knows the exact motivation behind the antagonist’s actions, each character is fully developed, the new story contains all story elements (conflict, resolution, exposition, climax, etc.), and you use proper writing mechanics.

Goldilocks

Goldilocks was a playful little girl who had lovely golden hair and that is why she was called Goldilocks.

One day, while roaming the woods, she saw a pretty cottage. She went inside and saw three bowls of porridge on the table. Tasting the porridge in the biggest bowl she said, “This porridge is too hot!” She tasted some porridge from the second bowl and said, “This porridge is too cold!” Then tasting some porridge from the third bowl she said, “This porridge is just right!” and she ate all of it. After that Goldilocks felt sleepy, so she went upstairs where she saw three beds. She lay on the first bed and said, “This bed is too hard!” She lay on the second bed and said, “This bed is too soft!” Finally, she lay on the third bed and said, “This bed is just right!” And so, Goldilocks curled up and went to sleep.

The cottage actually belonged to three bears. When they came home in the evening, the three bears saw that someone had been there. Mama and Papa Bear ate their porridge but the little bear wailed, “There is nothing left in my bowl!”

When they went upstairs to sleep, Papa Bear and Mama Bear found their beds had been used. Papa Bear shouted, “Someone has been sleeping in my bed!” Then, Mama Bear cried, “Someone has been sleeping in my bed!” The little bear saw Goldilocks sleeping in his bed and squealed, “Someone is still sleeping in my bed!”

Goldilocks awoke and seeing the three bears, she jumped up in fright and ran out of the door, never to be seen in the woods ever again!

Protagonist(s): ________________ Antagonist(s): ________________

The Boy who Cried Wolf

Once there was a shepherd boy who tended his sheep at the foot of a mountain. He used to feel lonely during the day. He thought of an idea whereby he could get some company and excitement. He went down to the village and shouted, “Wolf! Wolf.” On hearing his shouts, the villagers came to save him. But no wolf was seen. The angry villagers went back.

The boy enjoyed this trick and after a few days repeated the same act. Once again the villagers came to help him. They realized they had been fooled once more by the naughty boy.

One day a wolf actually came to attack the boy and this time the boy shouted even louder than before. But the villagers thought that the boy was trying to fool them once again. So no one came out to help him and the wolf took the boy away.

As the wise saying goes, “No one can know when a liar speaks the truth.”

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The Tortoise and the Hare

One day a hare was bragging about how fast he could run. He bragged and bragged and even laughed at the tortoise, who was so slow. The tortoise stretched out his long neck and challenged the hare to a race, which, of course, made the hare laugh.

“My, my, what a joke!” thought the hare.
“A race, indeed, a race. Oh! What fun! My, my! A race, of course, Mr. Tortoise, we shall race!” said the hare.

The forest animals met and mapped out the course. The race begun, and the hare, being such a swift runner, soon left the tortoise far behind. About halfway through the course, it occurred to the hare that he had plenty of time to beat the slow trodden tortoise.

“Oh, my!” thought the hare, “I have plenty of time to play in the meadow here.”
And so he did.
After the hare finished playing, he decided that he had time to take a little nap.
“I have plenty of time to beat that tortoise,” he thought. And he cuddle up against a tree and dozed.
The tortoise, in the meantime, continued to plod on, albeit, it ever so slowly. He never stopped, but took one good step after another.
The hare finally woke from his nap. “Time to get going,” he thought. And off he went faster than he had ever run before! He dashed as quickly as anyone ever could up to the finish line, where he met the tortoise, who was patiently awaiting his arrival.

Protagonist: ___________________ Antagonist: ___________________

Little Red Riding Hood

One day, Little Red Riding Hood’s mother said to her, “Take this basket of goodies to your grandma’s cottage, but don’t talk to strangers on the way!”

Promising not to, Little Red Riding Hood skipped off. On her way she met the Big Bad Wolf who asked, “Where are you going, little girl?”
“To my grandma’s, Mr. Wolf!” she answered.

The Big Bad Wolf then ran to her grandmother’s cottage much before Little Red Riding Hood, and knocked on the door. When Grandma opened the door, he locked her up in the cupboard.
The wicked wolf then wore Grandma’s clothes and lay on her bed, waiting for Little Red Riding Hood.

When Little Red Riding Hood reached the cottage, she entered and went to Grandma’s bedside. “My! What big eyes you have, Grandma!” she said in surprise.
“All the better to see you with, my dear!” replied the wolf.
“My! What big ears you have, Grandma!” said Little Red Riding Hood.
“All the better to hear you with, my dear!” said the wolf.
“What big teeth you have, Grandma!” said Little Red Riding Hood.
“All the better to eat you with!” growled the wolf pouncing on her. Little Red Riding Hood screamed and the woodcutters in the forest came running to the cottage. They beat the Big Bad Wolf and rescued Grandma from the cupboard.

Grandma hugged Little Red Riding Hood with joy. The Big Bad Wolf ran away never to be seen again. Little Red Riding Hood had learnt her lesson and never spoke to strangers ever again.

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