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Once there was a girl called Masha, who lived with her granny at the edge of the woods.

One day Masha said, “Granny, can I play outside with my friends?”

"Yes, Masha," said Granny, "but don't run off into the woods, will you? There are big bad animals there that bite ..."

Off went Masha to play with her friends. They played hide-and-seek.

Masha went away to hide and she hid right deep in the woods. Then she waited for her friends to find her.

She waited and waited but they never came.

So Masha came out of her hiding place and started to walk home.

She went this way, then that way, but very soon she knew she was lost.

"He-e-e-lp!" she shouted. "He-e-e-elp!"

But no one came.

Then very suddenly up came a massive muscly bear.

"Ah hah!" said the bear. "You come with me, little girl. I'm taking you home. I want you to cook my dinner, wash my trousers and scrub the floor in my house."

"I don't want to do that or anything like it, thank you very much," said Masha. "I want to go home."

"Oh no you don't," said the bear. "You're coming home with me."

And he picked up Masha in his massive muscly paws and took her off to his house.