**Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion**

(abridged version)

One hot morning Auntie Rosie woke up covered in spots. Little Red said she would come right away.

It was a long way to Auntie Rosie’s house. Little Red walked over sleepy crocodiles and dashed past chattering monkeys. Then she sat down for a rest. The Very Hungry Lion arrived.

“Hello, where are you going?” he purred.

“To visit my auntie.” said Little Red.

The lion’s tummy rumbled and he cooked up a very naughty plan!

First, Lion locked Auntie up in a cupboard then he squeezed himself into her nightie and covered himself in spots.

Little Red arrived. She knew it wasn’t her auntie, so she decided to teach Lion a lesson!

“What tatty hair you have said Litte Red and she brushed and combed it until Lion had a lovely new look.

This had not been Lion’s plan.

“What grotty teeth you have.” said Little Red and she brushed and brushed them until they sparkled.

This had not been Lion’s plan.

**STOP!** Yelled the Lion. My tummy is grumbling.

Little Red told Lion that trying to eat little children was very naughty. Lion said he was very sorry and let Auntie Rosie out of the cupboard. They ate a basket of doughnuts together.

The Very Hungry Lion promised to never try and eat little children ever again.