Make Believe and The Three Billy Goats Gruff







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The Three Billy Goats Gruff make your own mini book

How to Make the Mini Book

What You Need:

The story pages Paste or a glue stick

1. Print out the story pages and fold each in half on the dotted line.

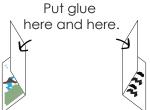
2. Fold page one so that the image is on the outside. This will be the book cover.

3. Fold page two the opposite way of page one, so that the image and text face each other.

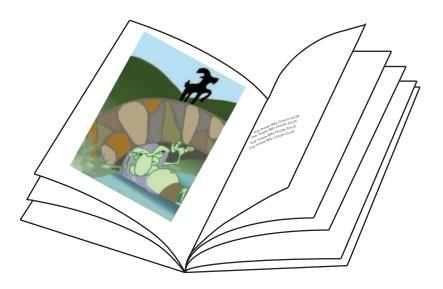
4. You'll want to fold the rest of the pages the same as page two.

5. Time to glue! Take page two and page three and put a thin layer

of paste on the backsides of the paper. Make sure to get the edge.



6. Line up the papers corner to corner and press the two halves together.
You'll be gluing the backside of all the pages to each other so that when you flip through the book the picture is on the left and the story is on the right.
7. Wrap the cover page around the book and glue it in place.

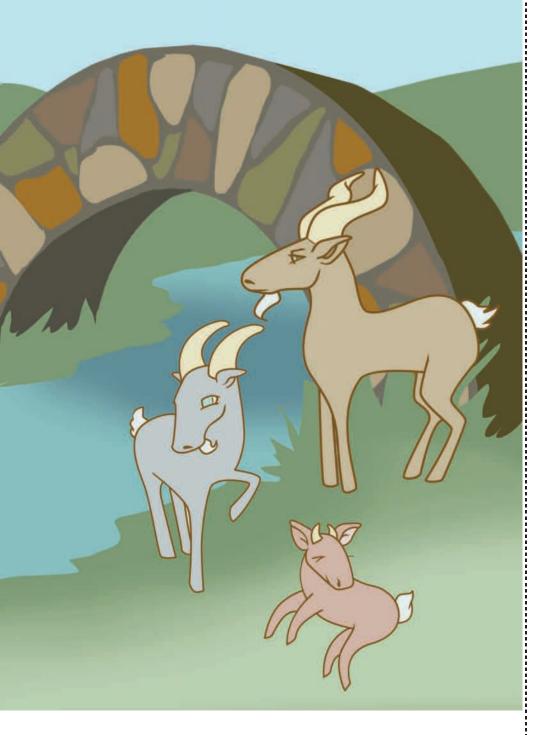


Your finished book should look something like this. Happy reading!

The Three Billy Goats Gruff



Once upon a time there were three billy goats, all named Gruff.



Goats eat a lot, you know, and one day they found that their grassy hill was becoming bare. There was more grass to eat on the other side of the river.

The smallest Gruff decided to go first. To get there he had to cross a bridge. Under the bridge lived a great big troll.



Trip, trap, trip, trap, trip, trap went the bridge.

"Who comes crossing my bridge?" said the troll.

"It is only I, Little Billy Goat Gruff," said the billy goat, with a tiny voice.

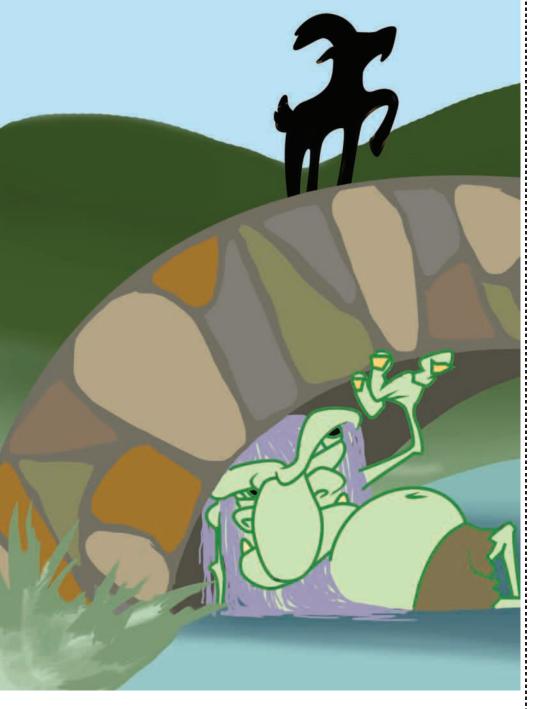
"I will eat you up!" said the troll.



"Oh you do not want to do that. I am too little," said the billy goat. "Wait, and my big brother will come along. He's bigger than me. He will make a much better meal."

"Be gone then! I will wait for a bigger, better meal," said the troll.

And with that the little billy goat quickly crossed to the other side.



After a little while the bridge shook.

Trip, trap, trip, trap, trip, trap.

"Who comes crossing my bridge?" yelled the troll.



"It is I, Medium Billy Goat Gruff."

"I will eat you up!" cried the troll, coming closer.

"If you wait just a little my big brother will come along. Don't eat me. He is much bigger."

"Be gone then," said the troll.



And then TRIP, TRAP, TRIP, TRAP, TRIP, TRAP. The bridge groaned uner a very heavy goat.

"Now who comes crossing my bridge?" demanded the troll, now very angry indeed.



"It is I! Big Billy Goat Gruff."

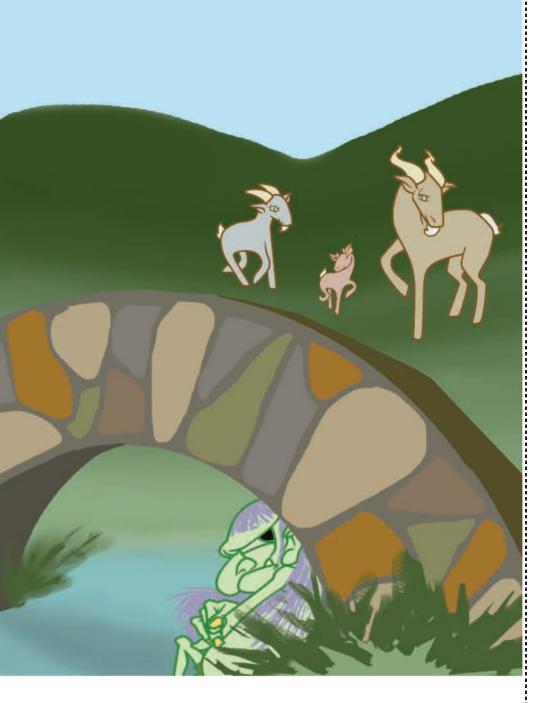
"Now I'm coming to gobble you up!" yelled the troll.

"Well, come along," said the biggest billy goat Gruff.



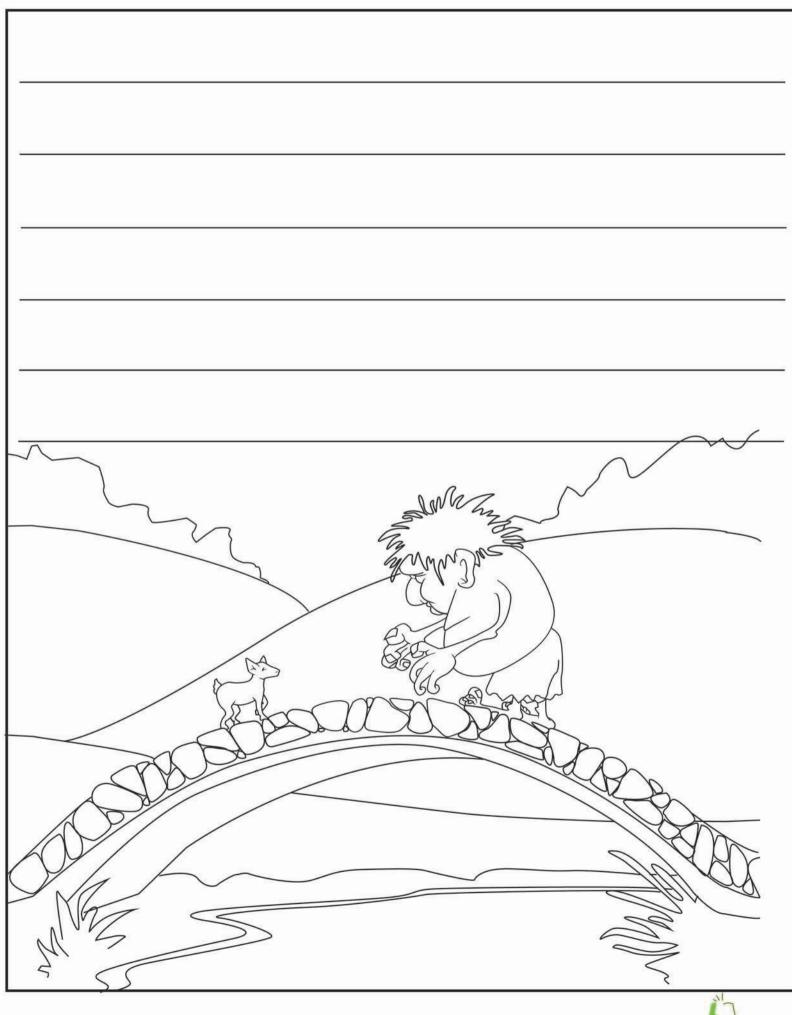
The troll ran at him. Big Billy Goat Gruff thumped the troll hard in the chest with his big antlers.

The troll went right off the bridge and into the water, where he hurt his foot. He had wanted the biggest mouthful for himself and ended up all wet instead.



The three billy goats had their fill of grass from the hills on that side of the river.

The End



The Three Billy Goats Gruff

Ideas for writing and storytelling practice

With 10 coloring page scenes kids can use these writing pages to:



Practice story sequencing by putting the scenes in the order that the story happened.



Use the pages out of order to create their own version of The Three Billy Goats Gruff.



Make up an all new story!

Use them as drawing pages to draw new items into each scene, or change the weather or time of day.



Use as graphic organizers or note taking paper for researching facts about real goats (like fainting goats, mountain goats or how about that herd that scaled a dam in Italy!)

Each character of the story is featured on his own page. These can be used to:



Describe how each character sounds and smells.



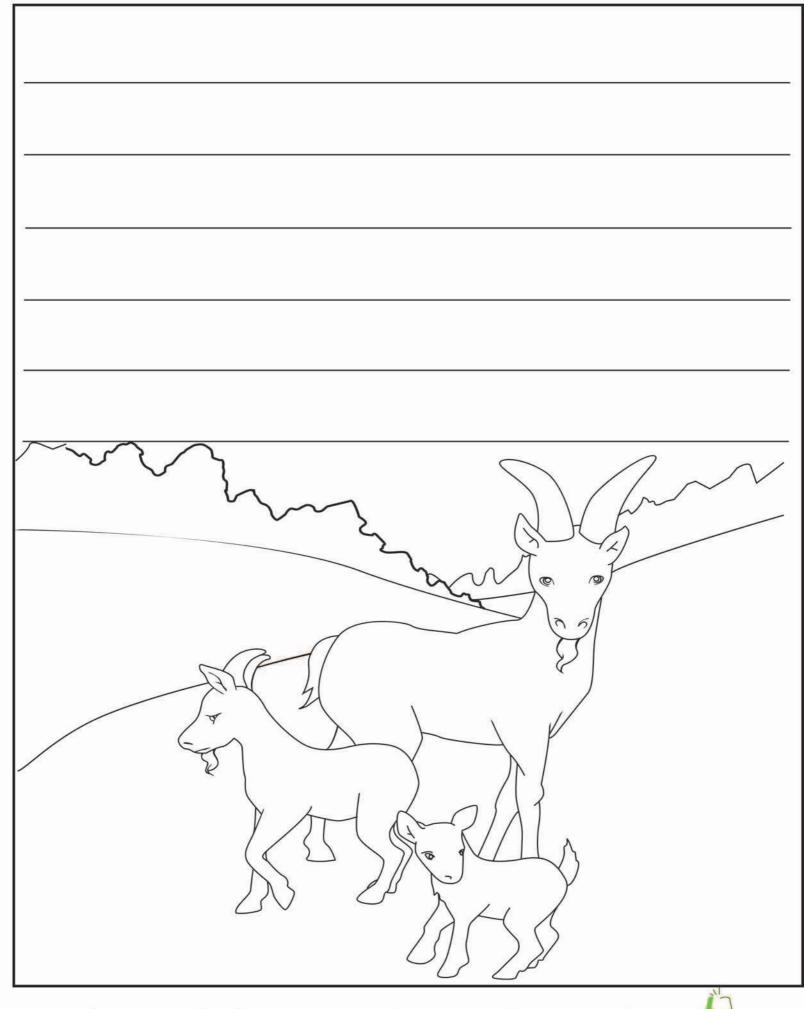
Make a character profile by answering questions about each character like how old they are, what they like to eat for breakfast, where they last went on vacation.

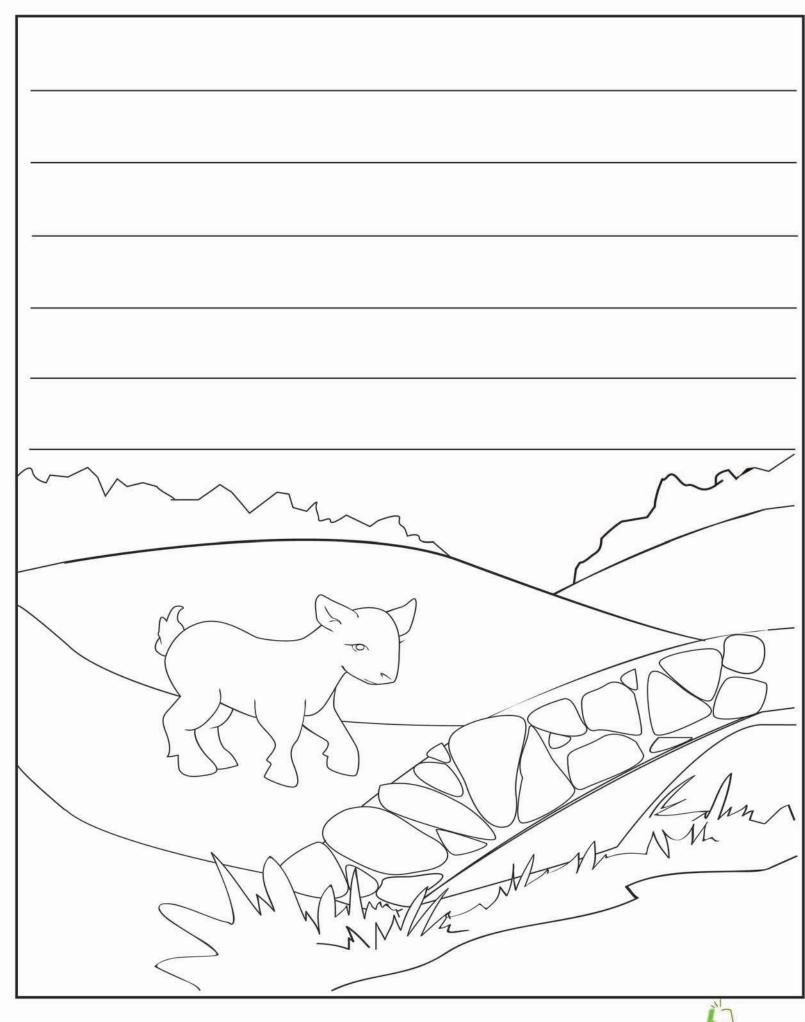


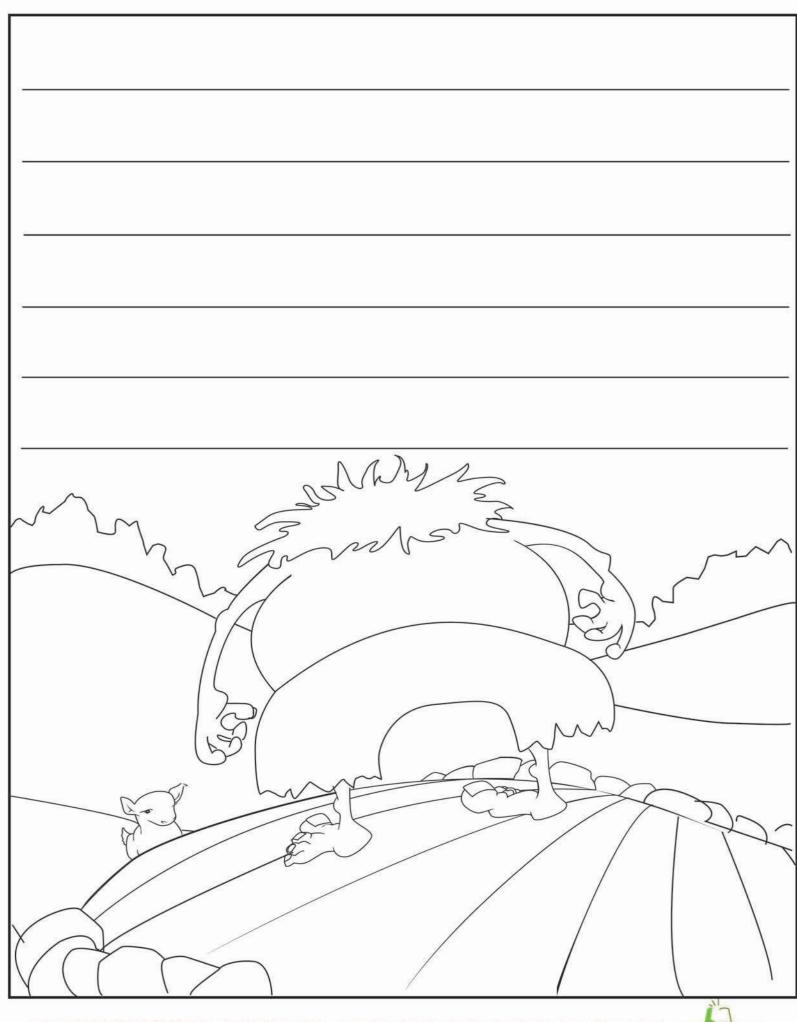
Write about the experience of crossing the bridge from each character's perspective.

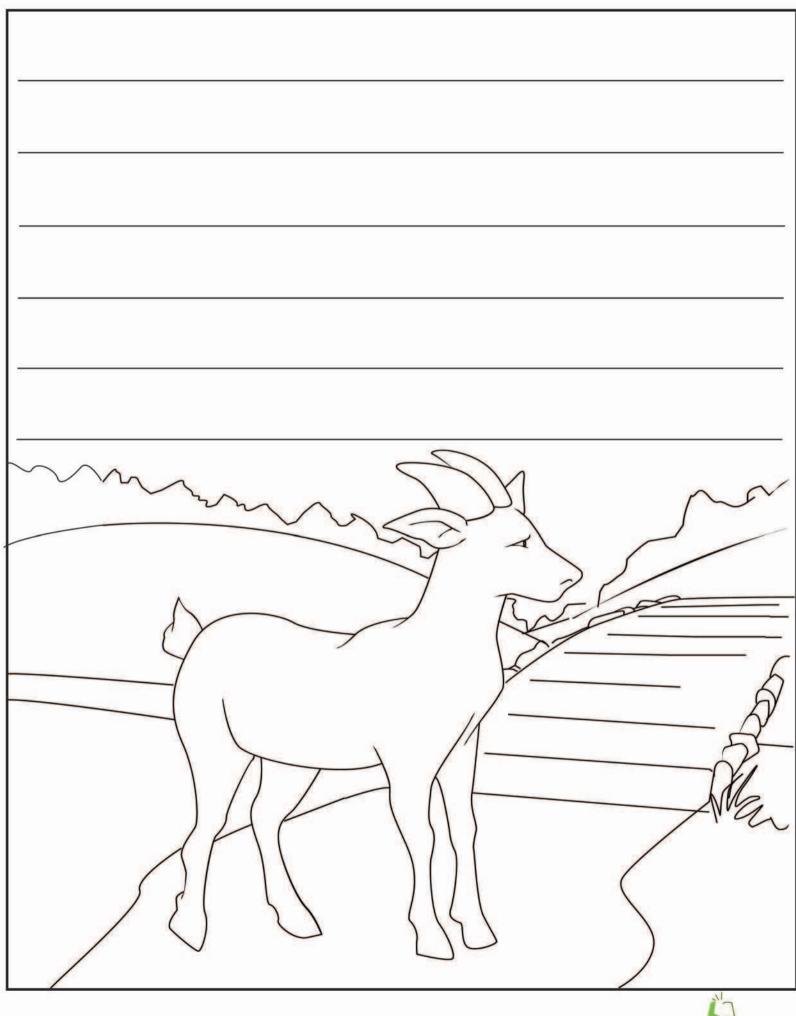
As story starters for separate stories for each character...

- o What was Big Gruff like when he was younger?
- o Imagine what the troll's happiest day ever was.
- o What did each character do after the bridge was crossed?

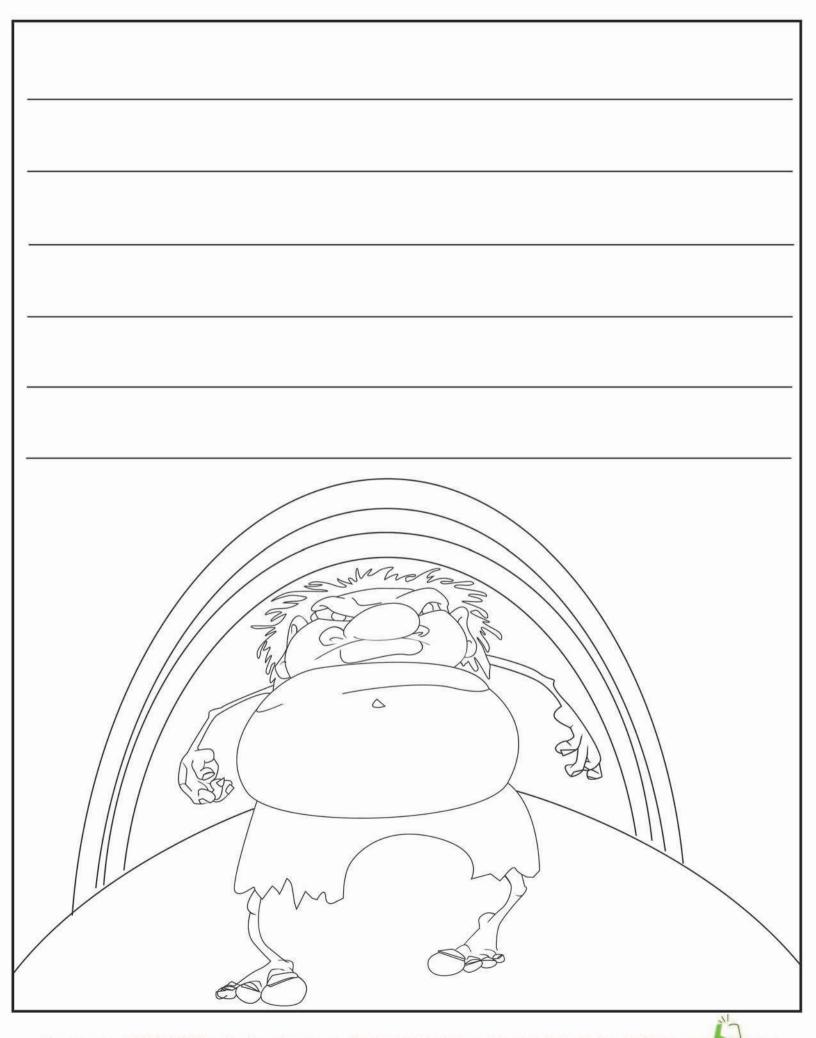


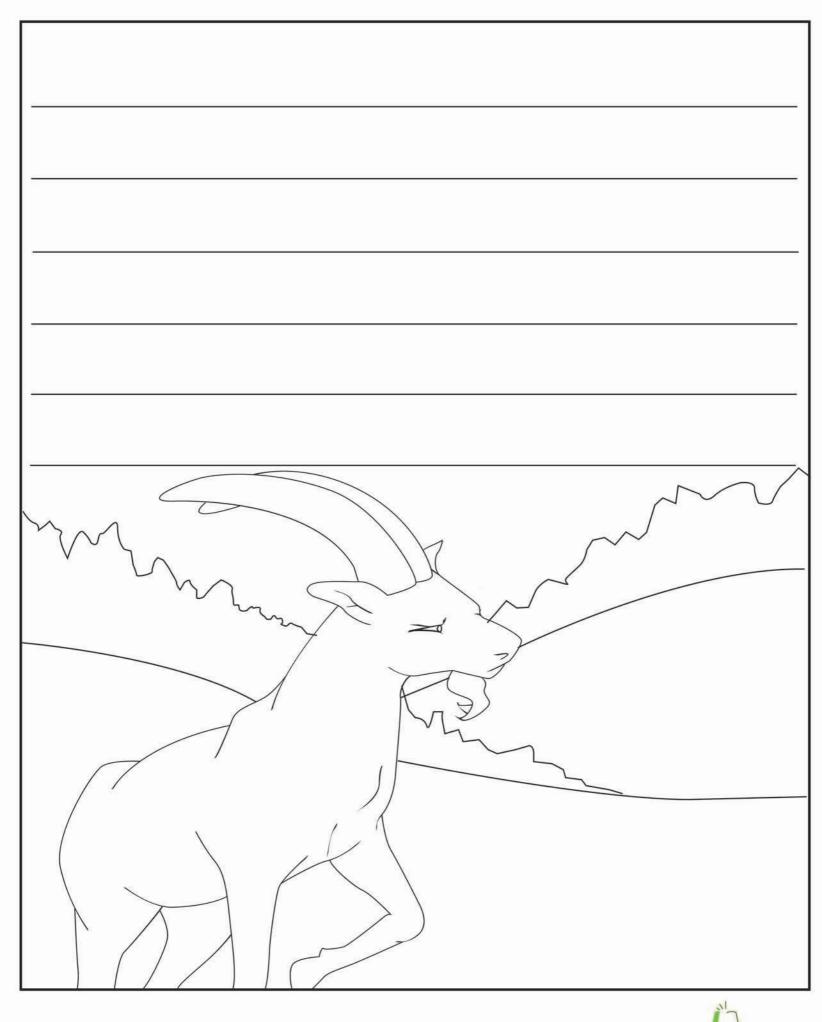


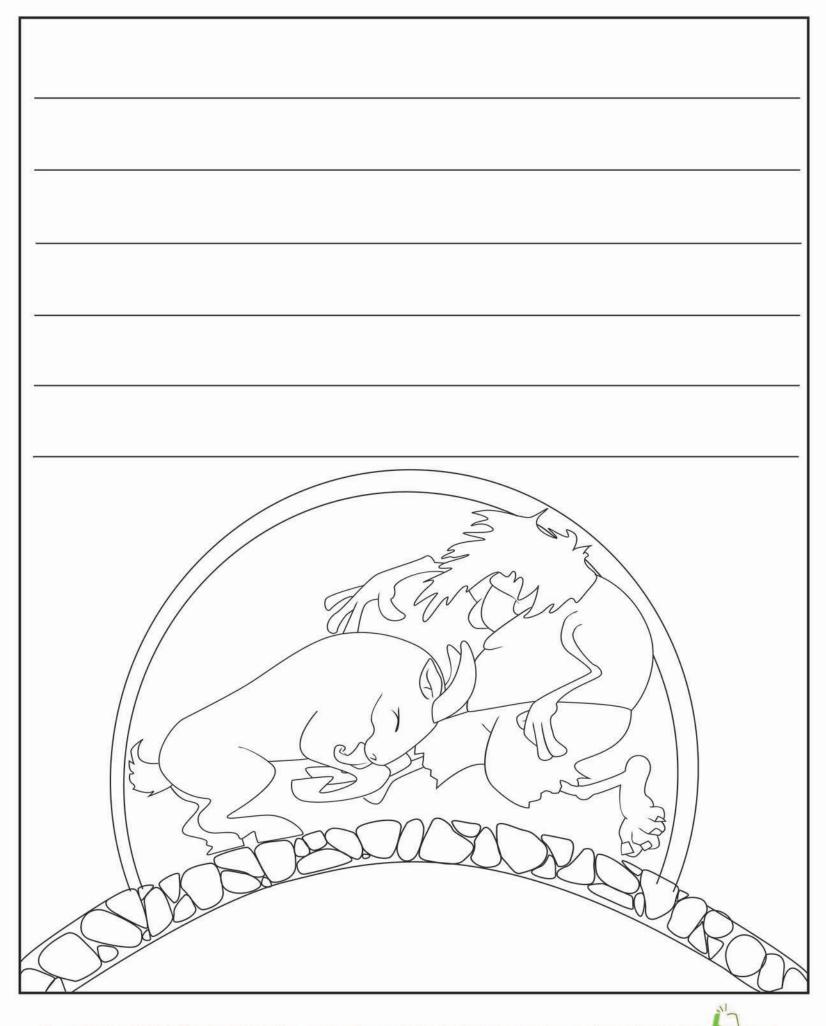




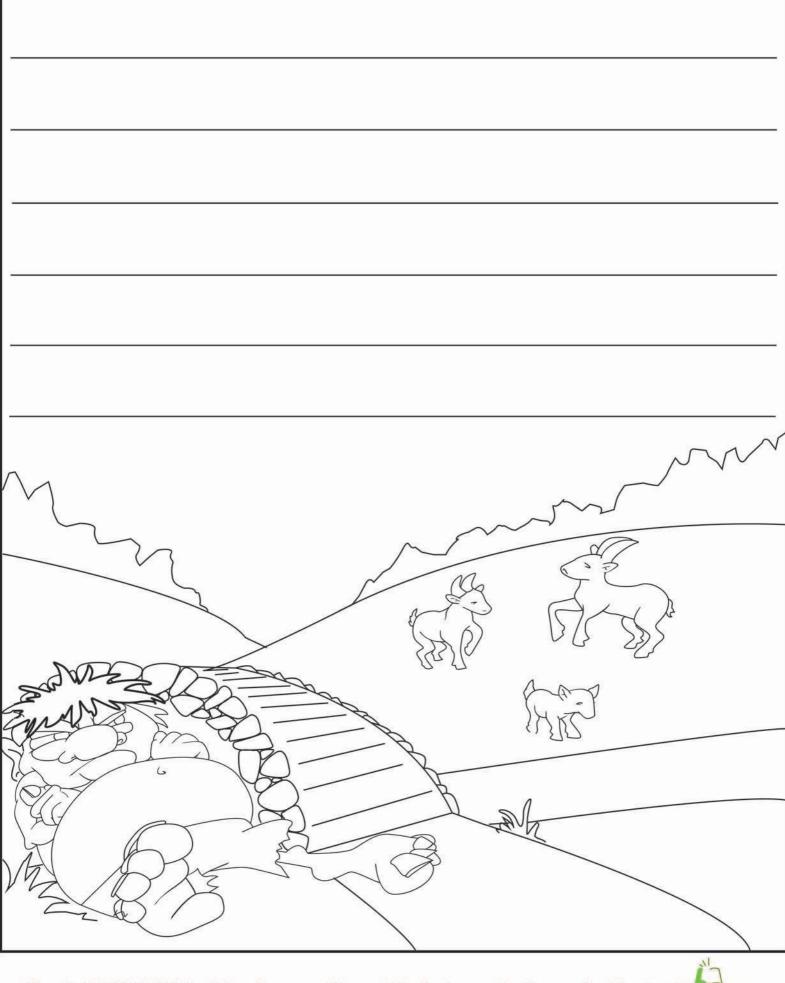








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The Three Billy Goats Gruff: Make Masks

Who's that tripping over my bridge? Trick the troll with an easy-to-make goat mask perfect for acting out the tale of the Three Billy Goats Gruff. Not only will your child have a new prop for dramatic play, he'll also get to work on his fine motor skills. This fun craft will have your child over the bridge and out of harm's way in no time.

What You Need:

5 paper plates Cotton balls Black marker Pink marker Scissors Glue Elastic string Hole punch



What You Do:

- 1. Have your child use the scissors to cut off the outer rim of one of the paper plates.
- 2. Show him how to fold the rim in half and cut out two horns for the goat.
- 3. Fold the remaining center of the plate in half and cut out two almond-shaped ears.

4. Take another one of the plates and turn it over. Give the goat a face by drawing eyes, a nose, and a mouth with the black marker. You may want to provide your child with a model if he seems stumped.

- 5. Tease apart several cotton balls so that they resemble a wispy goat beard.
- 6. Ask your child to glue the cotton balls to the goat's chin.
- 7. Glue the goat's horns to the outer rim of the plate.
- 8. Using the pink marker, have your child add a little detail to the ears.
- 9. Ask your child to position and glue the ears to the plate.

10. Create two holes with the scissors near the goat's eyes so that your child will be able to see where he's going.

11. Use the hole punch to punch a hole on each side of the plate.

12. Measure, cut, and attach a piece of elastic cord so that the mask will stay put on your child's head.

After you're done making one mask, encourage your child to make two more so that he has one for each of the three billy goats gruff.

