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Trip-trap! Trip-trap! How is Mr. Troll supposed to sleep when the three Billy Goats Fluff keep trip-trapping over his bridge? Twice a day, they loudly cross it to eat the lush green grass in the field by Mr. Troll's home. (The grass makes their fleeces extra fluffy, important for Mother Goat's knitting business.) But when Mr. Troll threatens to eat them, Mother Goat has a fluffy plan to keep everyone happy in this funny twist on a classic fairy tale!

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Peggy Archer says

THE THREE BILLY GOATS FLUFF, by Rachael Mortimer, illustrated by Liz Pichon (picture book)

Opening line: "Trip-trap. Trip-trap. How was he supposed to sleep?" The story plays on the well-know tale of the Three Billy Goats Gruff. The problem: Mr. Troll can't sleep with the goat children trip-trapping across his bridge all the time. Read the book to find out how the goat family helps to solve the problem, and becomes friends with Mr. Troll. Scholastic 2010

This is a fun book with a great story line. Kids will love how the goats end up solving the problem and making a friend in the process. Illustrations are big and colorful, adding to the experience.

Sandee says

Cute illustrations, good way to teach peaceful resolution rather than violent retaliation. But it was a little weird. I think it is because I really love the original story. I do not like many staple children's literature when they are altered. But the book captured the 3-year old for 2/3 of the book before he checked out.

11-25-2015: I didn't realize we read this before. The babies, 4 and 6 liked the book better now that they are older.

Neha Amin says

Review: AS one may be able to tell by my rating, I really like this story. It is too cute. I love the edition of the fluffy socks. It is the same story as the three billy goats gruff with a little twist.

Learning Experience: Two children will do this together. There will be a "wall" between them. One child will be given several everyday objects and he or she will make noise from it and the other child will have to guess what it is. This activity will help children focus, listen more attentively, and be aware of their surroundings.

Genny Flett says

This story is about three goats who are trying to cross the Troll's bridge to get to the green pastures so they can eat. However, the Troll gets sick of hearing them tip-tap over his bridge so he warns them that if they cross the bridge again, he will eat them. The three goats run home to their Mom and tell her what the Troll said. She decides to make a gift for the Troll, and in return the Troll lets the goats cross over his bridge so they can eat and get fluffy fur.

Great illustrations, good for idioms, and good for conflict-resolution.

jacky says

A very G rated retelling of The Three Billy Goats Gruff. It has a cute solution to problem at the end using the information presented in the earlier. Nice colorful illustrations. Natalie was a little worried it was going to get scary when the troll got angry, but that is right when the mother goat stepped in.

Gloria Jones says

Oh wow saw this in my teachers (Jane Hyche) office and thought it would be a good book to read, and it was it had a cute little twist with slippers and ear muffs for consideration, even my sons liked this book a definite must read.

have a discussion with the children about problem solving and sharing.

Kristi Bernard says

The three little billy goats are back! And so is the mean old green troll. The creaky old bridge that the troll lives under was supposed to be prime real estate for the old green troll. He was fooled! Instead his view is littered and his bridge is creaky with noisy goats tramping across. The fluffy goats are trying to make their way across the bridge to munch on the green grass on the other side. As the little goats report to Momma goat about the trolls threats to turn them into some of his favorite dishes she devises a plan to get her little goats to greener pastures and create the perfect environment for the troll. Parents, teachers, kids and homeschoolers will love the newest version of this fluffy tale. The brightly colored illustrations will have little readers running to put on their favorite stockings.

Kelly says

Great book to show how to resolve conflicts

Jenn Swanson says

There is a troll that lives under a bridge and he is suffering from insomnia. Why can't he get any sleep you ask? Probably because those damn billy goats keep tap tap tapping all over his bridge so they can get some grass. The troll finally is at wits end and yells at them. Then they do what any kid would do...they tell on him to their momma. I loved this original twist on the story Three Billy Goats Gruff. The illustrations were adorable and it even kept my daughter's attention. Definitely worth checking out.

Pavithra Shrisheya says

I like the book because of the mother goats great idea... Both the troll and the goats are happy.

Makenzie Soeken says

The Three Billy Goats were in trouble; they needed to find a way to cross Mr. Troll's bridge quietly, otherwise he was going to turn them into his next meal. Luckily their mother had a solution. She made little booties for each of the billy goats so that they would not click-clack across Mr. Troll's bridge. Finally the Three Billy Goats and Mr. Troll could all get along.

Heidi-Marie says

Well, I like the story overall and the twist at the end. I'm a little off with the telling of the story. And a bit questioning on those goats (since I thought the youngest was a girl, but he's not). It wasn't fabulous for me, but I'm sure some kids will enjoy the fluffiness, the happy ending for all, and the fluffy pictures.

Toni Facteau says

The Three Billy Goats Fluff by Rachael Mortimer was published by Tiger Tales in 2011. This book has 36 pages and I rated this book a 5/5 because I thought it was very cute and the rhyming was a great add on to the story. This story is Fiction, the grade level for this book is between Pre-K and Kindergarten, the Lexile level is 660L, and the Guided Reading Level is an L.

In this story, Mr. Troll does not like anyone trip trapping over his bridge. When he hears the 3 billy goat fluffs walking over his bridge he gets very angry and yells at each of the goats to get off or else he will eat him. Since Mother Goat creates clothes with the fluff of her goats, she secretly stashes a note for Mr. Troll saying that if he can still hear the goats across the bridge he can eat them, but if he doesn't then he has to be nice. Each goat goes across the bridge, and he cannot hear a thing. Mother Goat gives Mr. Troll a few knitted things and he sleeps for a very long time happy and sound asleep.

The activity that I would be using with my class is that I would read this story one day and the original Three Billy Goats Gruff another day and we would compare each story using a venn diagram. The CCSS that I would use would be,

NY.CC.K.RI.

Reading Standards for Informational Text

Key Ideas and Details

K.RI.3.

With prompting and support, describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.

Cathy says

Mortimer, R. (2010). The Three Billy Goats Fluff. Toronto, ON: Scholastic, Inc.

Fluff plays the starring role in this modern adaptation of the timeless tale, The Three Billy Goats Gruff. The three Billy Goats still have trouble crossing Mr. Troll's bridge, but it's Mother Goat's knitting skills that save the day in a pleasingly predictable way.

Distributed in softcover especially for the school market, Mortimer's story nods at the sweet sing song rhythm found in the original text. Children who are familiar with the classic yarn will enjoy the sympathetic twist of Mother Goat's use of her kid's fluffy fleeces; however, the vocabulary is well suited to a pre-schooler on some pages and demands the comprehension of a primary child on others. This book is suitable for children aged 4 through 8.

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Lara says

So fluffy! Socks and hats and knitted goodies!
Oh, and a bunch of cute goats and a rather sleep-deprived troll.

This was a cute one. A very solid 4 stars. I'd definitely pull it out for a story time on goats or friends or peaceful solutions or for variations on traditional stories (varying POVs) since it's mostly from the troll's POV.
