



# Garrison and Cody The Bear

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## **Garrison's Adventure**

Once upon a time, there was a little boy named Garrison who lived near a big, mysterious forest. He had heard many stories about the forest, and one day, he decided to explore it. So, he packed a small bag with some snacks and set off on his exciting adventure.



## **A Surprising Encounter**

As Garrison wandered deeper into the forest, he saw something moving behind the trees. His heart pounded with fear as he thought it might be a scary creature! But when he got closer, he saw a big, fluffy bear with a friendly smile on its face. At first, he was scared, but then he realized the bear was cute and harmless.



## **Making a New Friend**

Garrison cautiously approached the bear and noticed it was all alone. He decided to be brave and say hello. "Hi there, Mr. Bear," he said with a small wave. To his amazement, the bear responded with a gentle growl and a friendly nod. They quickly became friends.



## **Bringing the Bear Home**

Garrison named the bear Cody. Garrison didn't want to leave his new friend behind. So, he had a brilliant idea! He decided to take Cody home with him. With a bit of coaxing, the bear agreed to follow Garrison back to his house.



## **A Secret in the Bedroom**

Back at home, Garrison knew he couldn't let anyone know about his furry friend. So, he kept Cody hidden in his bedroom. Every night, Cody slept in Garrison's bed, and they would talk about their day's adventures.



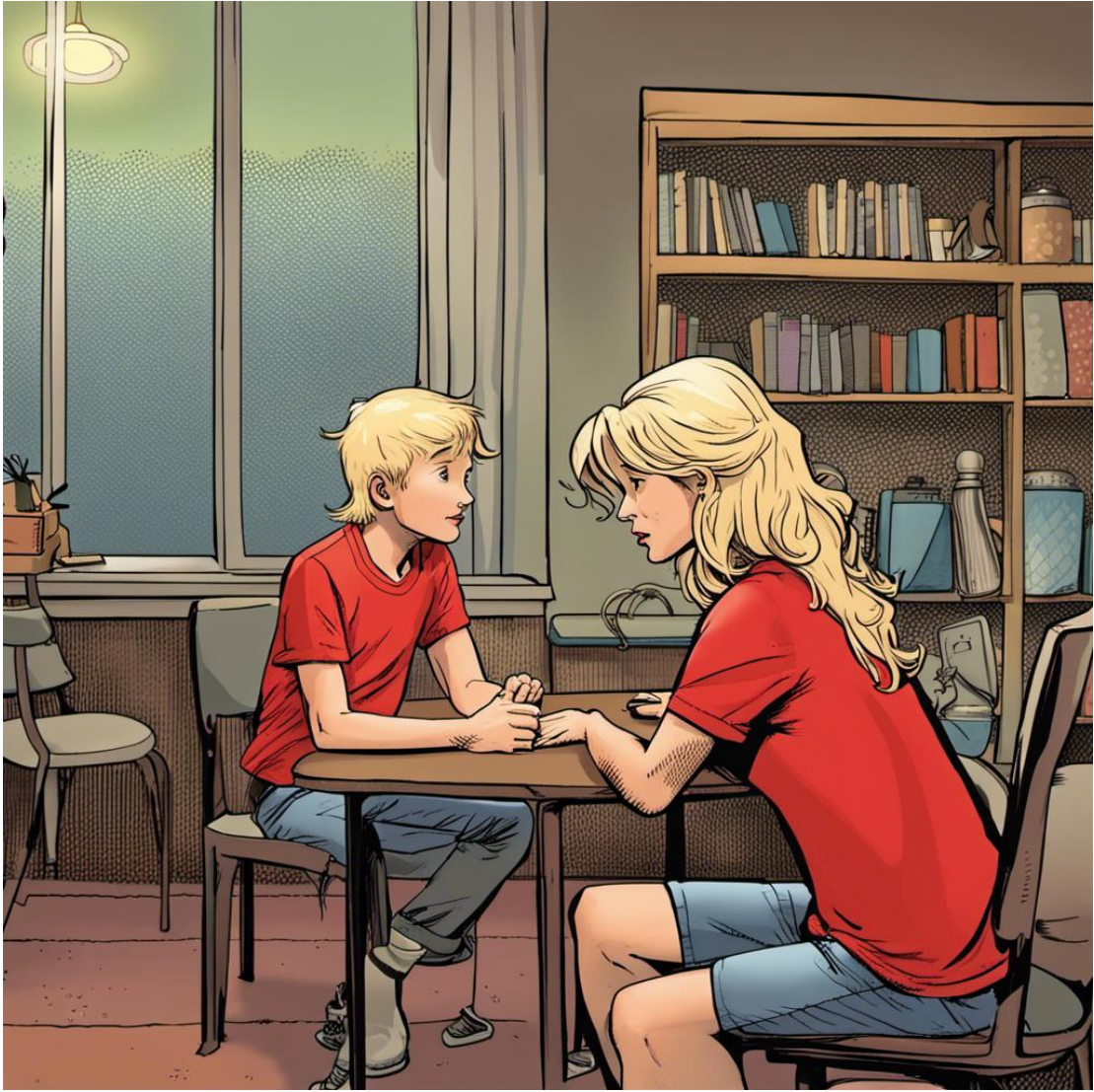
## **Mom's Surprise**

One Saturday morning, Garrison's mom decided to clean his room while he was playing outside. As she opened the door, she was startled to see a bear in Garrison's bed! She screamed, and the bear smiled back at her.



## **Mom Meets the Friendly Bear**

As soon as Garrison's mom saw the bear's smile, her fear turned into curiosity. She cautiously approached the bear and saw that it was friendly. Slowly, she realized that this bear was no threat at all.



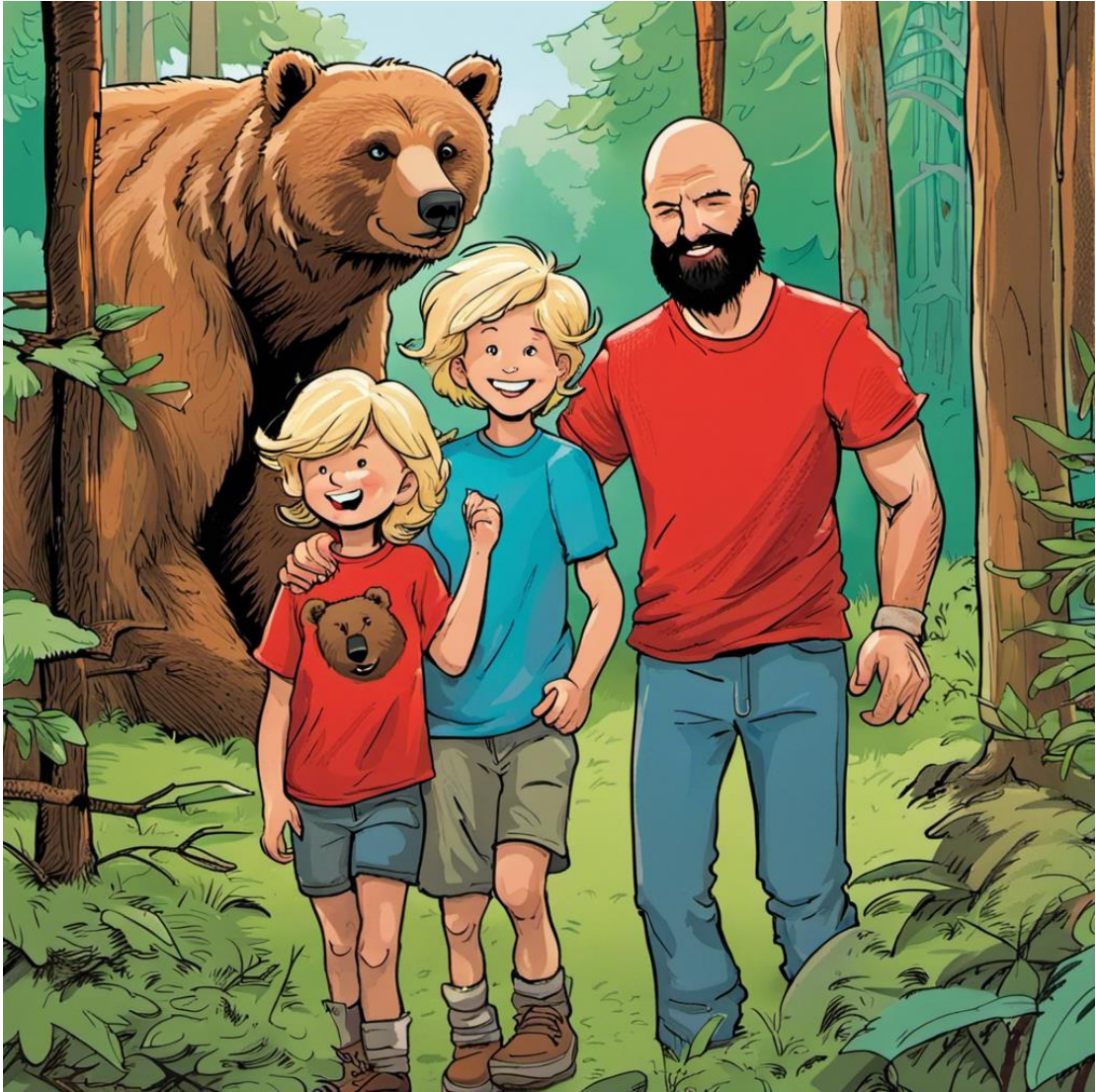
## **A Decision to Make**

Although Garrison's mom saw that the bear was friendly, she knew that keeping a bear in the house was not safe. So, she sat down with Garrison and explained that bears need to live in the forest where they belong.



## **Farewell, Bear**

Garrison agreed that his friend Cody belonged in the forest. So, they took a trip back to the woods and bid farewell. Garrison promised to visit regularly, and the bear seemed happy to return to its natural home.



## **Visiting the Bear**

Garrison's family started visiting the bear every week. They brought delicious treats for the bear, and they would spend their time playing and laughing together in the forest.



## **A Special Friendship**

Garrison and Cody became the best of friends. Even though the bear couldn't live with him, they enjoyed their time together in the woods. And so, they lived happily ever after, knowing that true friendship could overcome any obstacle.



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