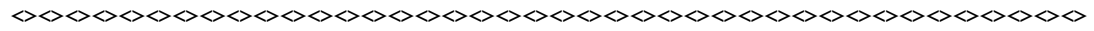


Where the Wild Things Are  
by Maurice Sendak

Characters (6):      NARRATOR          CHILD 1      CHILD 2      CHILD 3      CHILD 4      MAX



NARRATOR: THE NIGHT MAX WORE HIS WOLF SUIT

CHILD 1: AND MADE MISCHIEF

CHILD 2: OF ONE KIND

CHILD 3: AND ANOTHER.

NARRATOR: HIS MOTHER CALLED HIM

CHILD 4: "WILD THING!"

NARRATOR: AND MAX SAID:

MAX: "I'LL EAT YOU UP!!"

CHILD 1: SO HE WAS SENT TO BED

CHILD 2: WITHOUT EATING ANYTHING.

NARRATOR: THAT VERY NIGHT IN MAX'S ROOM

MAX: A FOREST GREW, AND GREW, AND GREW UNTIL THE CEILING HUNG WITH VINES

CHILD 3: AND THE WALLS BECAME THE WORLD ALL AROUND

CHILD 4: AND AN OCEAN TUMBLED BY

MAX: "WITH A PRIVATE BOAT!"

NARRATOR: FOR MAX. AND HE SAILED OFF THROUGH NIGHT AND DAY

CHILD 1: AND IN AND OUT OF WEEKS CHILD 2: AND ALMOST OVER A YEAR

MAX: TO WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE!

NARRATOR: AND WHEN HE CAME TO THE PLACE WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE THEY

CHILD 3: ROARED THEIR TERRIBLE ROARS! (ALL ROAR)

CHILD 4: AND GNASHED THEIR TERRIBLE TEETH! (ALL GNASH TEETH)

CHILD 1: AND ROLLED THEIR TERRIBLE EYES! (ALL ROLL EYES)

CHILD 2: AND SHOWED THEIR TERRIBLE CLAWS! (ALL SHOW CLAWS)

NARRATOR: TILL MAX SAID:

MAX: "BE STILL!"

CHILD 3: AND TAMED THEM

CHILD 4: WITH THE MAGIC TRICK

MAX: OF STARING INTO ALL THEIR YELLOW EYES

CHILD 1: WITHOUT BLINKING ONCE

NARRATOR: AND THEY WERE FRIGHTENED AND CALLED HIM

ALL: THE MOST WILD THING OF ALL!!

NARRATOR: AND MADE HIM KING OF ALL WILD THINGS.

MAX: "AND NOW, LET THE WILD RUMPUS START!! (PAUSE) NOW, STOP!"

CHILD 3: AND SENT THE WILD THINGS OFF TO BED

CHILD 4: WITHOUT THEIR SUPPER....AND MAX

CHILD 1: THE KING OF ALL WILD THINGS, SAID:

MAX: "I'M LONELY!"

NARRATOR: AND WANTED TO BE WHERE SOMEONE LOVED HIM BEST OF ALL

CHILD 2: THEN, ALL AROUND, FROM FAR AWAY, ACROSS THE WORLD

NARRATOR: HE SMELLED GOOD THINGS TO EAT!! SO HE SAID:

MAX: "I'LL GIVE UP BEING KING OF WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE."

CHILD 3: BUT THE WILD THINGS CRIED

CHILD 4: OH, PLEASE DON'T GO

CHILD 1: WE'LL EAT YOU UP

CHILD 2: WE LOVE YOU SO

NARRATOR: AND MAX SAID:

MAX: "NO!"

CHILD 1: THE WILD THINGS ROARED THEIR TERRIBLE ROARS (ALL ROAR)

CHILD 2: AND GNASHED THEIR TERRIBLE TEETH (ALL SHOW TEETH)

CHILD 3: AND ROLLED THEIR TERRIBLE EYES(ALL ROLL EYES)

CHILD 4: AND SHOWED THEIR TERRIBLE CLAWS (ALL SHOW CLAWS)

NARRATOR: BUT MAX STEPPED INTO HIS PRIVATE BOAT

CHILD 1: AND WAVED GOOD-BYE (MAX WAVES)

CHILD 2: AND SAILED BACK

CHILD 3: ALMOST OVER A YEAR AND IN AND OUT OF WEEKS AND THROUGH A DAY

MAX: AND INTO THE NIGHT OF MY OWN ROOM

CHILD 4: WHERE HE FOUND HIS SUPPER WAITING FOR HIM

MAX: "AND IT WAS STILL HOT!"