

## Recounting and Summarizing

- Explain to students that summarizing is when you retell a story using your own words. The summary should include all the main parts of the story, in the right order. The main points are called “important ideas.”
- As a group, work together to recount and summarize the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears as an example.
- Then, ask students to think, pair, share about how to summarize a chapter of the book they are currently reading.
- Have some students share their summary with the group.
- Discuss with students why summarizing might be useful. Ask: “When might it be helpful to summarize a text?”

*Notes:*

For more support on Recounting and Summarizing, see page 30 of the *Pathways Teacher’s Guide*.