

“CINDERELLA IN RED”

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Wunst one day one time, they was a little girl what was name Cinderella, an' she was the most saddest little girl ever was 'cause she never had no sure 'nough Mama, just a stair step Mama, the kind what just plays like she was her Mama; an' she never love Cinderella a'tall, 'cause she was a ol' mean Mama. She just made her wear a red coat an' hood all the time an' made her sit in the sack cloth an' ashes!

An' Cinderella had two ol' mean stair step sisters 'at just play like they was her sisters an' they just runned off an' left her an' went to see their Gram'ma, an' she was a nice ol' Gram'ma, too. An' she was always a'wishin' 'at Cinderella's stair step Mama would let her come to see her.

An' so, one day, one time, when Cinderella was a-sittin' in the sack cloth an' ashes, her good ol' Gram'ma call her up on the phome an' telled her wouldn't she come over to her house 'cause – 'cause she was sick an' a-feelin' bad, an' she was a-wantin' some cake an' ice cream – an' lemonade – an' some pop! An' a whole lots o' good things! – An' so she putted on her little red coat an' hood an' she just went on up to her Gram'ma's house an' she was just a-walkin' along just as slow – an' a ol' mean wolf, a awful ol' mean wolf comed by an' o—o—o—oh! He just ate her ever' bit up!

An' so – an' so her Mama just cried an' cried! No, she never either 'cause she never had a sure 'nough Mama! An' so – an' so – Oh, I was just a-funnin' 'cause the ol' wolf never ate her 'tall, 'cause – oh, I 'member now! A nice ol' man what was a-buzzin' along in a big ol' airyplane just comed an' reached down an' grabbed her 'fore th' ol' wolf could say “scat!” An' he taked her to her Gram'ma's house an' her Gram'ma was just so tickled 'at she just kiss her a whole lots 'cause she wasn't ate up!

And that ol' man, uh – uh – he was a Princess! An' he was a-lookin' for his a beau'ful wife an' he thought 'at Cinderella was awful beau'ful! An' so he telled her wouldn't she come to his house where they was a-havin' a big ol' party so's he could see all the beau'ful girls so's he could pick out the most beau'fullest!

An' so Cinderella an' her Gram'ma just got in the big ol' airyplane an' just flewed an' flewed an' so after while they comed to where's all the folkses 'at was invited, an' so – O – O – O -- OH! You never could guess who was there! -- It

wasn't the ol' wolf! It was Cinderella's ol' mean stair step Mama an' her ol' mean sisters! An' her ol' mean Mama was a-wantin' the princess to marry both o' her mean ol' girls! They never saw Cinderella 'cause – 'cause the nice ol' Princess had gone to town an' buyed her the most beau'fullest dress ever was, an' so when they looked at her they never knewed her 'cause she never had on her little red coat an' Hood!

(This paragraph may be left out to if time is a problem) An' so – an' so they just had the best ol' time at the party! They just played the mostest games you ever did see, “Thimble” an' “Hidey Whoop” an' “Froggie in the Middle” an' just ever'thing! An' when they played a long long time, they just ate ice cream combs an' dranked lemonade an' cookies an' then they went out in the watermelon patch an' just ate watermelon an' peaches, grea' big ol' juicy peaches!

Well..., an' so – the Princess say he 'spected he better just go an' get his bride all picked out. An' so he say 'at he was goin' to pick out the one that could wear some little gold slippers that he had went down town an' buyed! – He just looked at all the girls' feet to see which uns was the littlest – An' o – o – o – oh! He choosed Cinderella!

An' so – when her ol' mean Mama an' her ol' stair step sisters saw 'at Cinderella got chose, they just got up an' went right straight home! An' so – they was a-goin' 'long an' it was night an' all dark an' ever'thing an' don't you know that ol' wolf that never ate up Cinderella a'tall just ate 'em ever' one right straight up.

An' so then Cinderella an' her nice ol' Princess just wented up at the church an' got married an' the most folkses was there!

Uh huh, she wasn't sad any more 'cause she was just so happy 'at she lived ever after!!