

Child had been using traditional tales as a vehicle for creating a non-fiction text type. Having selected a favourite character, they were asked to write a diary entry from his or her perspective. Here, the children writes from the viewpoint of the woodcutter in *Little Red Riding Hood*. Writing was pre-planned, is independent, and was completed over two consecutive days.

Dear diary
Today I was cutting some wood
I hoped I'd get twenty pounds so
I went to my boss to ask for a
raise but he wouldn't have it, so he just
decided to kick me out of the
business, so I decided to look for another
job.

I was very furious at my boss, ~~but~~ but then
suddenly I heard a scream from a little
cottage up the hill by the mill. I ran to
the little cottage and pecked through
the window and seen a big bad Wolf.

I'd seen him before. I thought I struck
him down years ago when I swiped
his tail off, now he's gobbled
someone up, so I decided to kick the
door down, I felt like I was a hero.

I went into the old ladies room and
seen the Wolf in the bed he then
suddenly pounced at me and I dodged
and I slit his stomach open and
got the girl and the old lady out.
and I went home had tea
and I had a new animal carpet
to my collection for this winter.