

The Four Bears

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Three bears sat together. They were good friends.



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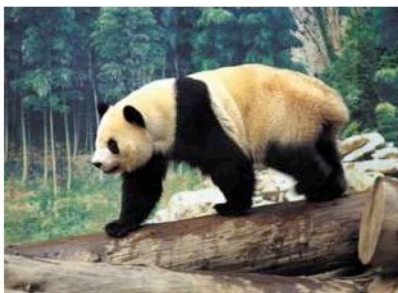


Black bear was smaller and black.



Polar bear was the biggest of the three, and he was white.

Then a fourth bear showed up.



Panda bear was just different.

The three bears looked at Panda bear.

“What are you?” They asked him.

“I am a Panda bear. I am white and black. I am not the biggest bear. I am not the smallest bear.”

“I am the white bear.” Polar bear replied. Indeed he was white.

“So am I.” Panda bear said.

“You are not a polar bear.” The three bears told Panda bear.

“No, I am not.” Panda bear agreed.

“Then what are you?” They asked.

“I am a Panda bear.”

“You are black like me.” Black bear said.

“I am.” Panda bear agreed.

“Why are you white and black?” The three bears asked.

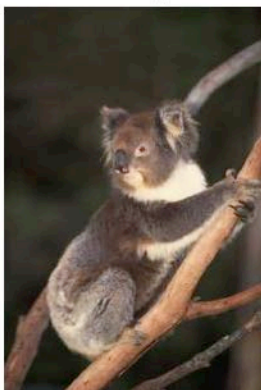
“I was born this way.” Panda said.

“Why do you look like me?” Brown bear asked.

“I was born this way.” Panda answered again.

The three bears shrugged and let Panda bear sit with them. He was a bear, so he could be their friend.

Then there were four bears, at least until Koala bear showed up. Then there was a lot of explaining to do!



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