

Script for Tandem Storytelling

***Where the Wild Things Are*, by Maurice Sendak. Harpercollins: 1963**

**A: The night Max wore his wolf suit**

B: And made mischief of one kind and another

**A: His mother called him “WILD THING!”**

B: And Max said “I’LL EAT YOU UP!”

**A: So he was sent to bed without eating anything**

B: But that very night in Max’s room

**A: A forest grew**

B: And grew

**A: And grew until his ceiling hung with vines**

B: And the walls became the world all around

**A: And an ocean tumbled by**

B: With a private boat for Max

**A: And he sailed off through night and day and in and out of weeks and almost over a year**

TOGETHER: \_\_\_\_\_ To where the wild things are

**A: And when he came to the place where the wild things are**

B: They roared their terrible roars

**A: And gnashed their terrible teeth**

B: And rolled their terrible eyes

**A: And showed their terrible claws**

B: Till Max said “BE STILL!” and tamed them with the magic trick of staring into all their yellow eyes without blinking once.

**A: And they were frightened and called him the most wild thing of all and made him king of all wild things.**

B: "And now", cried Max, "let the wild rumpus start!"

(Stomp feet, encourage kids to roll eyes, show claws, roar, gnash teeth)

B: "Now stop!" Max said, sent the wilds things off to bed without their supper.

**A: And Max, the king of all wild things was lonely and wanted to be where someone loved him best of all.**

B: And then all around from far away, across the world he smelled good things to eat. So he gave up being king of where the wild things are.

**A: But the wild things cried "Oh please don't go--we'll eat you up--we love you so!"**

B: And Max said, "No!"

**A: And the wild things roared their terrible roars and gnashed their terrible teeth and rolled their terrible eyes and showed their terrible claws**

B: But Max stepped into his private boat and waved good-bye.

**A: And sailed back over a year and in and out of weeks and through a day and into the night of his very own room**

B: Where he found his supper waiting for him

TOGETHER: \_\_\_\_\_ And it was still hot.