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The Three Billy Goats Gruff

Short Answer Key

1. The troll refuses to let the billy goats cross the bridge because he wants to eat them.
2. Gruff convinces the troll to let him pass by promising that his larger brothers, Muff and Tuff, are coming next, making for a bigger and tastier meal for the troll.
3. Muff and Tuff use the same strategy as Gruff by promising an even larger and tastier meal if the troll waits for Tuff to cross.
4. Tuff deals with the troll by charging at him with his horns, sending the troll tumbling into the river.
5. By outsmarting the troll, Gruff, Muff, and Tuff gain the freedom to cross the bridge and access the meadow with better grass whenever they want without the threat of being eaten.

