

Down in Louisiana

A colorful illustration depicting a scene from the story. In the upper left, a bright yellow sun with rays is set against a blue sky. Below it, a mother pelican with white feathers and a red breast patch is shown in flight, carrying a large, textured grey object (possibly a nest or a piece of food) in its beak. To the left, a smaller white chick is also in flight. The background shows a blue sky with white clouds. At the bottom, there is a green grassy field with several brown reeds or cattails.

Down in Louisiana in the wind and the sun
Lived a mother pelican and her pelican one.
“Fly,” said the mother; “We fly,” said the one,
And they flew all day in the wind and the sun.



Down in Louisiana near the ol' bayou
Lived a mother armadillo and her armadillos two.
"Dig," said the mother; "We dig," said the two,
And they dug all day near the ol' bayou.





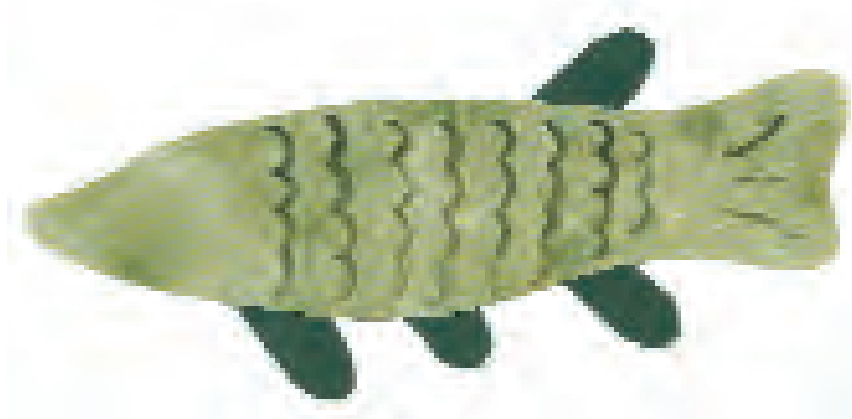
Down in Louisiana in a cypress tree
Lived a mother black bear and her black bears three.
“Climb,” said the mother; “We climb,” said the three,
And they climbed all day in a cypress tree.







Down in Louisiana near the basin floor
Lived an alligator gar and her little gars four.
“Swim,” said the mother; “We swim,” said the four,
And they swam all day near the basin floor.







Down in Louisiana where the wetlands thrive
Lived a mother Catahoula and her Catahoulas five.
“Bark,” said the mother; “We bark,” said the five,
And they barked all day where the wetlands thrive.

