Red and the City

| 2 | Once there was a girl named Red, who lived with her mum and her dog, Woody, on the edge of the city. |
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| 3 | ‘RedRed,’ said her mum one day.  ‘Go visit Grandma and give her this cake. Take Woody with you and remember-  Follow the heart flowers |
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| 5 | take care when crossing the road,  stay on the path,  and don’t talk to anyone.’ |
| 6 | After a while, Red started feeling hungry.  ‘I will only have a little bit of cake,’ Red said. |
| 7 | But the cake was very tasty.  And before Red knew it, she’d eaten it all. |
| 8 | ‘Oh no, I’ve eaten my present for Grandma,’ said Red.  ‘What shall I do now?’ |
| 9 | ‘I know! I’ll buy her some heart flowers. They’re not far from the path. I’ll be back in a minute.’ |
| 10 | But Red quickly forgot about the flowers... |
| 11 | ‘Ahhh’  ‘Ohhh’  ‘Mmmm’ |
| 12 | Before long Red was lost. |
| 13 | ‘Oh, city, what shiny toys you have!’  ‘All the better to dazzle you with’  ‘Oh, city, what shocking news you have!’  ‘All the better to worry you with’  ‘Oh, city, what shocking tempting food you have!’  ‘All the better to sicken you with’ |
| 14 | And then Red was swallowed up. |
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| 16 | ‘Wake up! Wake up!’ barked Woody.  And when Red opened her eyes, she remembered all that truly mattered to her.  Her heart shone brightly and she was able to find her path. |
| 17 | And Red walked straight to Grandma’s without straying from her path once. |
| 18 | ‘Oh, Grandma, I’m so sorry I’m late. I was foolish and got lost in the city.’  ‘I know,’ said Grandma.  ‘It once swallowed me up too.’ |
| 19 | They then ate the cake Grandma had baked for Red earlier that day.  And they talked about all the wonderful things they could do in the city together. |