



The Three Little Pigs

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Once upon a time there were three little pigs. The first little pig was called Wiggle. The second little pig was called Piggie. The third little pig was called . . . can you guess what the third little pig was called? *(Let children call out their ideas.)*

The third little pig was called Doris.

So, once upon a time there were three little pigs: Wiggle, Piggie, and Doris.

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Before long, the three pigs were not so little anymore! One morning, Mother Pig said to them, “You’re too big to live here. We bump in to one another, and you take too long in the bathroom. The time has come for all three of you to go out into the world and build your own homes.”

The three pigs looked in amazement as their mother placed a shiny coin next to each of their cereal bowls.

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“Don’t look at me as if I’ve turned into a side of bacon! Go to the hardware store, buy your building materials, and get building!” The pigs looked at each other and then back at her.

“Get a move on! I’ll come and have coffee with each of you next weekend to see how well you’ve done.”

Wiggle, Piggie, and Doris thought they’d always live with their mother, who, although very bossy, was an excellent cook. But, they knew (because she was so bossy) that if she said they had to go—they really had to go.

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Wiggle got the hardware store first. The first thing he saw was a huge pile of straw. Now, Wiggle loved the smell of straw. He buried his wet pink snout into the bales and breathed in. How he loved that smell! Just one more sniff, he thought; then, he’d look at the bricks.

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“I hope you’re going to buy that straw now that you’ve pushed your snout in it.” It was the store owner. He looked cross. But, Wiggle thought, how nice to have a house that smelled like this! So, Wiggle stood up as straight and important looking as he could and said, “Of course, I’m going to buy it. I’ll take it all!”