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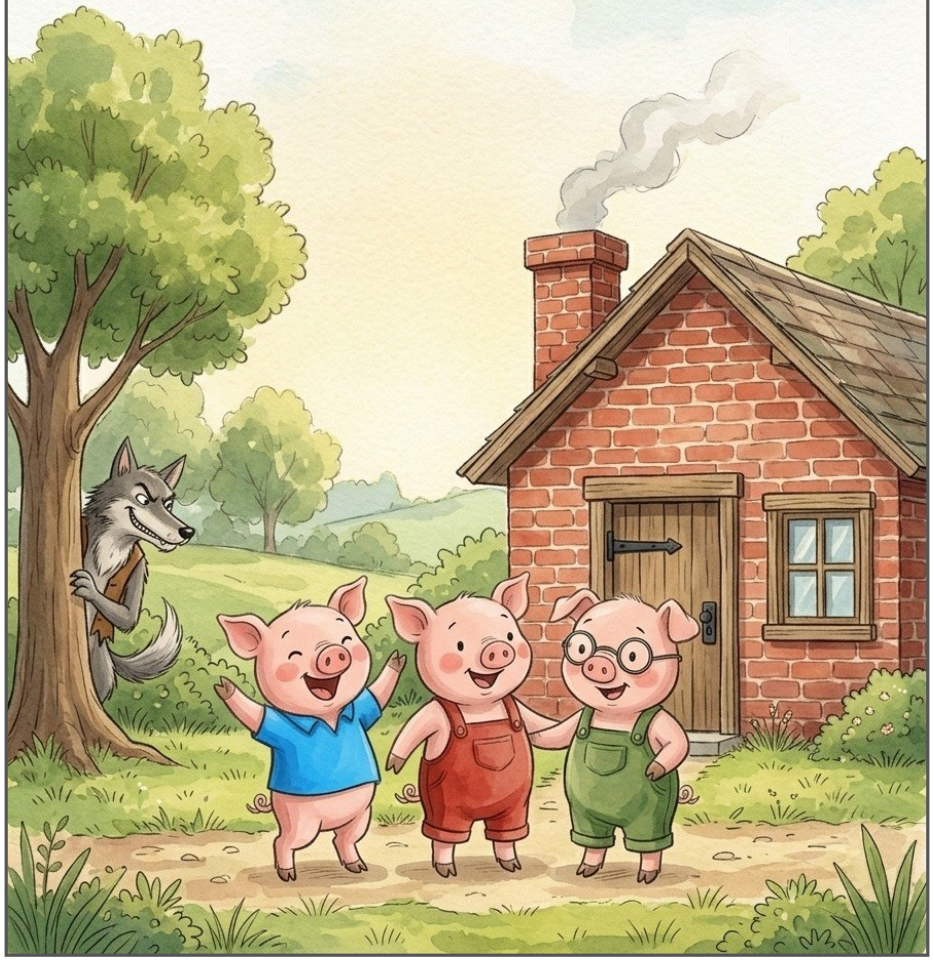
The Three Little Pigs



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Once upon a time, three little pigs lived with their mother. One day she said, “It is time to build houses of your own. Watch out for the big bad wolf!”

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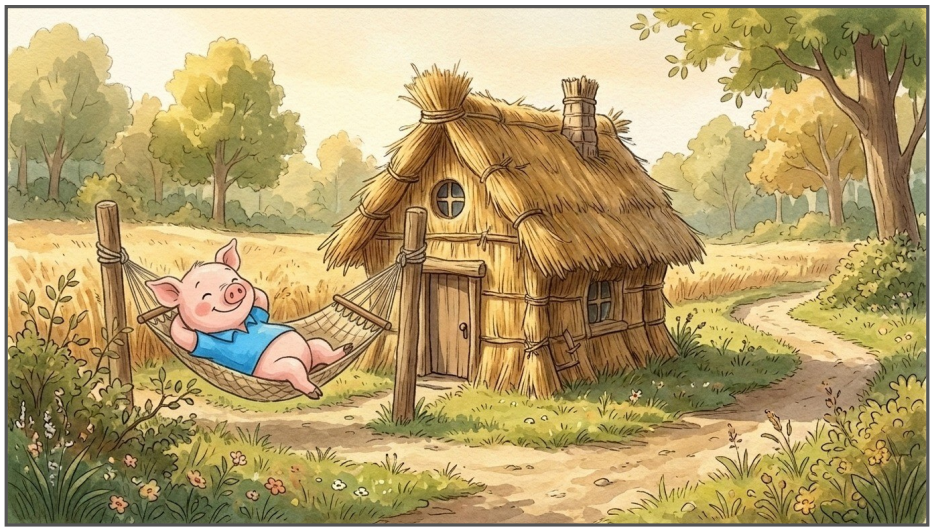

The first little pig found some straw. He built his house fast, and then he played all afternoon.

The second little pig found some sticks. He nailed them together and danced all evening.

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The third little pig found some bricks. They were heavy, but he worked hard and built a strong house with a big chimney.

Then the big bad wolf knocked on the straw house. “Little pig, little pig, let me come in!” “Not by the hair of my chinny chin chin!”

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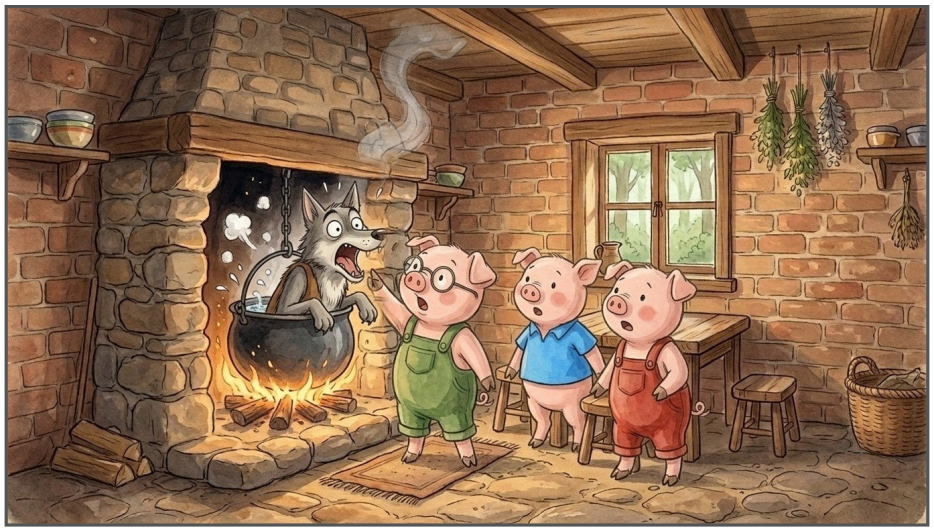
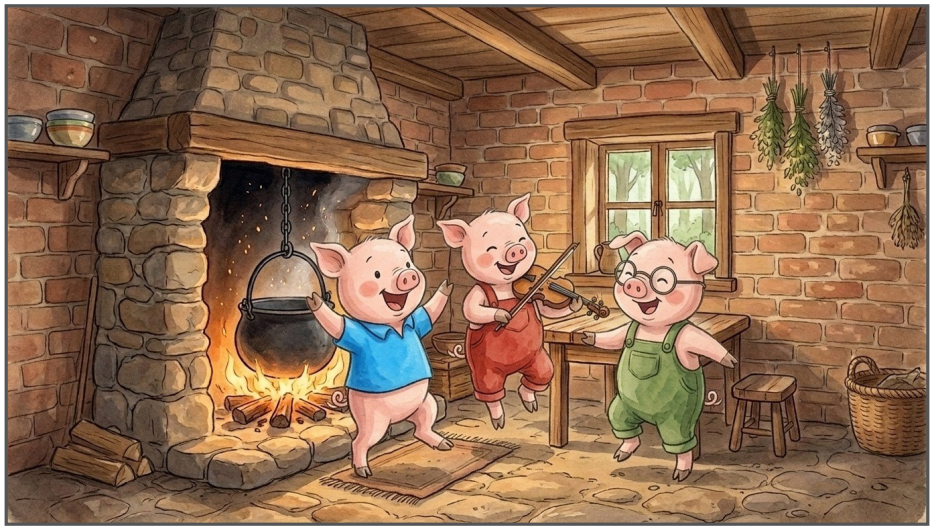
“Then I’ll huff, and I’ll puff, and I’ll blow your house in!” And he did! The first little pig ran to the house of sticks.

The wolf huffed and puffed and blew the stick house in too. The two little pigs ran to the house of bricks.

The wolf huffed and puffed with all his might. But the brick house did not fall down. Not one brick moved.



So the wolf climbed down the chimney, right into a big pot of hot soup! “Yeeeoow! Hot, hot, HOT!”



The wolf ran off and never came back. The two little pigs built brick houses too, and they all lived happily ever after.

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Talk About It

1. Why could the wolf blow down the straw and stick houses, but not the brick house?

2. How was the third pig different from his brothers?

3. What lesson does this story teach?

Words to Know

straw • sticks • bricks
huff • puff • chimney

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