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# Book Review

**Title:** The Three Little Pigs and the Somewhat Bad Wolf

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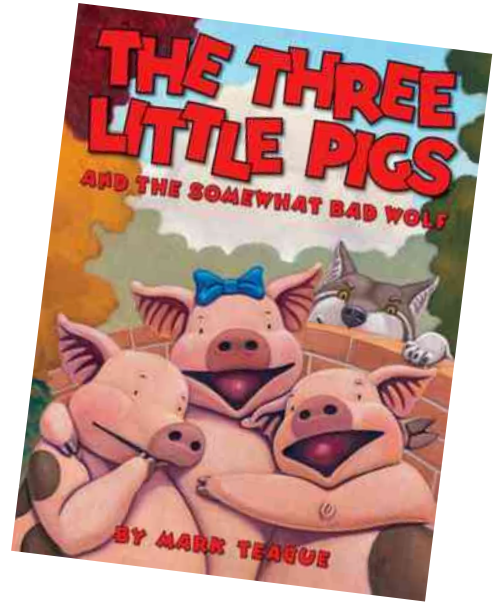
**Publication Year:** 2013

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**Number of Pages:** 48

**Interest Level:** Primary

**Rating:** Dependable



## Review

The three little pigs live happily on a farm until one day the farmer tells the pigs that he and his wife are moving to Florida. The first pig builds his house out of straw so that he can have plenty of money left over for potato chips. The second pig builds his house out of sticks so that he will have plenty of money for sody-pop. The third pig decides to build her house out of bricks and mortar. When a hungry and somewhat bad wolf comes to town and all of the food places are closed, he goes to look for food at the pig's houses. The pigs discover that when the wolf isn't too hungry, he can be a good friend and is hardly bad at all.

This unusual tale of the three little pigs is a great resource to introduce new versions of familiar stories. Adults can talk to their children about spending habits and priorities, as well as choosing to be kind to people who might not be behaving in a kind way themselves. The vocabulary is likely to stretch young readers, but most readers will be amused by the illustrations and the personalities of the pigs. Readers who enjoy fractured fairy tales are likely to enjoy this new take on a classic story.