

Family Bulletin

VOCABULARY:

straw
wood
brick
basement
blew
first
second
third
bought
carried
ran
hiding
moved
sewing
painted
counted
old
new
middle
next to

Other Language Targets:

Prepositions

down
in
next to
beside
under
through

The Three Little Pigs

The main book for this unit is *The Three Little Pigs* by James Marshall. This classic children’s tale describes the adventures of three little pigs that leave home and unexpectedly cross paths with a big, bad wolf. Learning from the mistakes made by the other pigs, the third little pig outsmarts the wolf in the end. This delightful story was chosen because of its

repetitive and familiar text and also because it can easily be used for dramatic play in the classroom. This book allows for literacy-related activities in the classroom Learning Centers.

The related book is *Let’s Go Home* written by Cynthia Rylant and the rhyming book is *Bear at Home* written by Stella Blackstone.

Target Sound/Letter

Hh

The target sound for the unit is /h/ “Hh”. Take some time to point out words in your environment that start with or have the letter “h” in them.

Some words are: hair, hammer, hand, happy, hot, hold, home, hotel, huge, hurry.

Bringing it Home—The Home and School Connection

Make miniature houses out of a variety of materials. Start with a small box, like a cereal box. Cut out doors and windows. Use white glue to attach straw, sticks, or toothpicks all over the outside of the house. Another activity that you and your child can do

together related to the current theme is to take a window and door survey of your house. Walk through each room, and look for the windows and doors. Record your results on a piece of paper. Ask your child which you had more of in your house: doors or windows?

Which room had the most windows in them? Which room had the least windows in them?

Rhyming Words:

three—tree

snow—go

cried—inside

hay—play

good—wood

blast—fast

quick—brick

pot—hot

Ten Little Pigs

Original Author Unknown

(Sing to the tune of "Ten Little Indians")

One (1) little, two (2) little, three (3) little pigs

Four (4) little, five (5) little, six (6) little pigs

Seven (7) little, eight (8) little, nine (9) little pigs

Ten (10) are in the mud.

All are pink with pudgy noses,

They don't smell a bit like roses,

Curly tails that look like hoses.

Rolling in the mud.

Ten (10) little, nine (9) little, eight (8) little pigs,

Seven (7) little, six (6) little, five (5) little pigs,

Four (4) little, three (3) little, two (2) little pigs,

One (1) is in the mud.

Ten Little Pigs is a flannel board activity that your child will learn during circle time during this thematic unit. We've provided you the words so you may sing along with your child at home or in the car. Showing the number of pigs on your fingers as you sing can be a fun way to practice counting. You can also act out the words by making pudgy noses when you sing the line "*All are pink with pudgy noses*" or by making a sour face when you sing the line "*They don't smell a bit like roses*". Keep the words at hand, sing to your hearts content and enjoy the time with your child.