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THE THREE LITTLE PIGS



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THE THREE LITTLE PIGS A Choral Speaking Re-telling in Rhyme

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This choral speaking version of THE THREE LITTLE PIGS includes a variety of speaker experiences. As in most choral speaking, ALL SPEAKERS speak in unison together. But, in an effort to bring needed variety of sound and a composer's touch to the choral expression of this piece, you may find that:

- 1. 8 SOLO SPEAKERS speak special lines.
- 2. ALL BOYS and/or ALL GIRLS speak in unison together.
- 3. ALL VOICES speak in unison together.

To find the proper rhythm, first read-aloud and clap through the piece as you go. Each underlined word or word-part falls directly on a beat. As you read, clap on each underlined word, keeping the rhythm steady. Be careful not to read too fast! This is a rehearsal technique and readers will not clap throughout the entire piece during performance.

1 **SOLO SPEAKER 1:** I know a pig.

(All clap hands: clap, clap)

2 **ALL SPEAKERS:** We know a pig.

(clap clap)

3 **ALL GIRLS:** You could call him little

4 Since he <u>is</u>n't very <u>big.</u>

5 **ALL BOYS:** He built a small house

6 Of straw and manure.

7 It <u>cost</u> five <u>pen</u>nies,

8 Or <u>may</u>be even <u>few</u>er.

9 Then he <u>said</u>,

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ALL SPEAKERS/ 10 CHORUS:	"Hey <u>Wolf</u>
11	Stay a <u>way</u> from my <u>door</u> .
12	This <u>house</u> will keep me <u>safe</u>
13	Forever <u>more</u> .
	(clap clap)
14	And <u>if</u> it <u>does</u> n't,
15	One <u>way</u> or the <u>other</u> ,
16 SOLO SPEAKER 2:	I can <u>al</u> ways go and <u>live</u>
17	With my bro ther!"
18 SOLO SPEAKER 1:	I <u>know</u> a <u>pig.</u>
	(clap clap)
19 ALL SPEAKERS:	We <u>know</u> a <u>pig.</u>
	(clap <u>clap</u>)
20 ALL BOYS:	You could call her <u>li</u> ttle
21	Since she <u>is</u> n't very <u>big.</u>
22 ALL GIRLS:	She <u>built</u> a tall <u>house</u>
23	Of mud and sticks.
24	Paid <u>ten</u> thin <u>dimes</u>
25	For the twiggy-mud mix.
26	

ALL SPEAKERS/

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27 **CHORUS:** "Hey Wolf

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Then she said,

28 Stay a<u>way</u> from my <u>door</u>.

This <u>house</u> will keep me <u>safe</u>

Forever<u>more</u>.

(clap clap)

31 And <u>if</u> it <u>does</u>n't,

32 One <u>way</u> or the <u>other</u>,

33 **SOLO SPEAKER 3:** I can <u>al</u>ways go and <u>live</u>

34 With my **brother**!"

35 **SOLO SPEAKER 1:** I know a pig.

(clap clap)

36 **ALL SPEAKERS:** We know a pig.

(clap clap)

37 **ALL GIRLS:** You could call him little

38 Since he isn't very big.

39 **ALL BOYS:** He built a wide house

40 Of <u>bricks</u> and <u>mortar</u>.

41 **ALL GIRLS:** The <u>whole</u> darn <u>thing</u>

42 Cost a <u>dol</u>lar and a <u>quar</u>ter.

Then he <u>said</u>,

ALL READERS/

44 **CHORUS:** "Hey Wolf

45 Stay a<u>way</u> from my <u>door</u>.

This house will keep me safe

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47 Forever<u>more</u>.

(clap clap)

48 And <u>if</u> it <u>does</u>n't,

49 One way or the other,

50 **SOLO SPEAKER 4:** I guess I'll go and live

With my **mother!**"

(clap clap)

52 **ALL SPEAKERS:** Then the wolf, big and bad,

Appeared on the scene.

He <u>was</u>n't very <u>friendly</u>.

55 **SOLO SPEAKER 5:** In fact, he was mean.

56 **ALL SPEAKERS:** He <u>huffed</u> and he <u>puffed</u>

From town to town.

58 'Till he huffered and he puffered

59 <u>Everything down.</u>

60 **ALL GIRLS:** He <u>blew</u> the straw <u>house</u>

Through the clouds on high.

Then <u>blew</u> the stick <u>house</u>

As <u>far</u> as sticks can <u>fly</u>.

64 **ALL BOYS:** And the <u>only</u> thing <u>left</u>

65 On the <u>countryside</u>.

Was a wide brick house,

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