



SG4



15-20 minutes

THE THREE LITTLE PIGS – Further episode activities



To develop analytical skills – sequence key episodes of the story logically
 To develop the ability to use pictures as prompts for re-telling the story
 To develop understanding of the directional conventions of print
 To develop and be able to express a deep understanding of the key episodes of the story



- ❖ The set of 8 Episode Pictures from SG2
- ❖ An extra set of smaller Episode Pictures for making the mini-book



- ❖ Thin white or coloured card – cut or stuck together to make one long piece that measures 100cm by 8cm. With a sharp pair of scissors, score it every 10cm so that it can be folded easily by your child into 'pages' that measure 10cm by 8cm (landscape).
- ❖ A glue stick and crayons
- ❖ A few favourite teddies and/or dolls



'Which Episode is Missing?' game:

Start by putting out the larger Episode Pictures from SG2 in order, in a line (like they are organised in the train, but don't use the train for this activity as you need to be able to move the pieces around quickly and easily). Ask your child to close their eyes. Remove one of the small Episode Pictures and close the gap by moving the remaining Episode Pictures together. Ask your child to open their eyes and tell you which Episode Picture is missing.

Repeat several times, taking out a different picture each time. If your child finds this easy, you could take out two consecutive Episode Pictures or two non-consecutive ones, and play the same game.

'Picture Clues' game:

Tell your child that you are going to give them clues about a picture of one of the episodes, and they have to guess which one as quickly as possible. Begin with difficult clues about the picture, i.e. ones describing peripheral details: time of the year, nature, colours, objects, clothes and so on. Gradually make the clues more and more obvious, by talking about the characters and their actions, until they guess correctly.

Then reverse roles – your child gives you clues about a picture, and you have to guess which one it is.



Mini-book ('zigzag' or 'accordion' style): Give your child the set of smaller Episode Pictures, and explain that they are now going to make their own mini-book of 'The Three Little Pigs' story with them. Show your child the long, pre-scored card and model how to fold the card along the scored lines in a zigzag way. Ask your child to lay out the pictures in the order of the story first. Explain that the first 'page' will be the cover and the last 'page', the back cover. Then help them to stick each Episode Picture onto the right page. They can then draw a suitable picture on the front cover.

Finally, pretend it's night time or nap time. Ask your child to tell the story of 'The Three Little Pigs' to their teddies/dolls, using their mini-book, to help them fall asleep.



Your child can identify missing Episode Pictures and recognise their place in the story.
 Your child can recognise episodes from descriptive details.
 Your child can make their own mini version of the story book.



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Cut out each of these 8 smaller Episode Pictures separately, to make the mini-book with.

