

Teachers' Pre Show Notes

HEY PIGGY PIGGY! Pre Show Teachers' Notes

Here's some information for you to know before the show HEY PIGGY PIGGY!

There's a brief summary to tantalise and prepare your children. There are backing tracks to the songs and lyrics for whiteboards, so that you can learn a song or two to sing along with the piggies.

You will know best how to cater to the needs of your own pupils, but you'll find the questions posed in the show might help you and your children to think through the themes of the show:

- a) Keeping warm
- b) Managing money
- c) Working together and trusting one another

The Story in Brief

Grandma says goodbye to the Three Little Pigs and, after the well-known story where the wolf blows down their houses, they all move in together. They're trying to get warm in the draughty, wet, un-insulated brick house. The wolf comes to visit them three times, each time in a different disguise. He tries to trick them out of their money by selling them things that they don't really need.

- What will the piggies do?
- Will they ever get a warm house?
- How can grandma help them?
- Will they ever recognize the wolf?
- Will they ever get rid of him?

HEY PIGGY PIGGY! was commissioned by the charity National Energy Action which works to address fuel poverty. Their aspiration is that everyone should live in warm, healthy, affordable homes and they continue to work to achieve that aim. HEY PIGGY PIGGY! was devised in a collaboration between 4 Corners Music Network and Théâtre Sans Frontières.

Teachers' Follow-Up After Show Notes

HEY PIGGY PIGGY! Teachers' Follow Up, After Show Notes

If you wish to follow up your visit to see HEY PIGGY PIGGY!, here are some notes to help you.

There's a brief summary and a further fuller version mapping out the scenes.

You already have the backing tracks to the songs and the lyrics for whiteboards with the pre-show notes.

You will know best how to differentiate to cater to the needs of your own pupils, but you'll find a number of questions posed to help you and your children to think through the themes of the show:

- a) Keeping warm
- b) Managing money
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There are also a couple of science experiments/demonstrations to consider.



HEY PIGGY PIGGY! VIDEO

You can watch a video of the whole show to see the story again:

<https://youtu.be/mhfOYk-S15M>

MORE 'FULL OF ENERGY' ASSEMBLY SONGS: Seven songs about keeping warm

<http://www.nea.org.uk/projects/full-of-energy/>

Questions to ask to explore the themes of the story

Why do we need to keep warm?

- a) To be healthy. If our bodies become too cold we can catch cold and flu.
- b) For our wellbeing, so that we feel happy and cosy in ourselves.

How do we keep warm?

1. Have a heat source:

- a) Burn gas or oil in a boiler for hot water / hot air to share around the building
- b) Turn on an electrical heater
- c) Light a fire (logs or coal)
- d) Solar panels on the roof bring warmth and energy into the house

2. Be active:

Like Party Pig's dance moves, when we move around our body creates heat from the food we've been eating.

3. Insulate (Insulation stops heat escaping):

- a) Double glazing two layers of glass with a gap in-between
- b) Woolly panels in your floors, walls and roof
- c) Put on your own insulation, clothes!

4. Keep out draughts and rain:

To keep out draughts: draught excluders, tight fitting windows and doors and use of foam strips. To keep out the rain: waterproof tiles or panels on the roof.

Electricity costs money. We want to hold on to the heat we make.

How can you look after your money?

Know how much you have. Count your money. Keep it in a safe place.

Compare prices and get to know as much as you can about what you are buying.

Information helps us decide (comparison sites and smart meters).

Credit. Getting something for free now often means that you have to pay more in the future.

Experiments

Insulation:

1 Tea pots and cosies

We made two pots of tea with hot water from the same kettle.

On one we put a tea cosy, but not on the other.

Half an hour later we felt the two pots.

Can you guess what happened?



Greenhouse gases high in the atmosphere act like a giant tea cosy above the North Pole. The sun's warmth is insulated by the gases and so the ice cap has started to melt dramatically.

2 Straw Box

Line a box with straw and put in a hot water bottle. Compare this with a hot water bottle in a box without straw. At the end of the school day which one is the hottest?

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HEY PIGGY PIGGY! Summarised Story for Teachers

Scene 1 Grandma says it's time for the three little pigs to leave home.

Grandma gives the three pigs: Party Pig, Clumsy Pig and Tidy Pig, a jar of money (to be spent wisely) and a letter (not to be opened until the time is right).

Scene 2 A shadow animation and song tells the traditional tale.

Three Little Pigs were leaving home, each had to build a house of their own.....

*In a house of straw the first pig sat,
Big Bad Wolf knocked rat a tat tat.
Little pig, little pig let me in.....
Not by the hair on my chinny chin chin!
The Big Bad Wolf he huffed and puffed,
And wooo....! He blew the house down.....
With a ffff, and a ffff, and a clap clap clap.*

*In a house of sticks the second pig sat,
Big Bad Wolf knocked rat a tat tat
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Little pig, little pig let me in.....
Not by the hair on my chinny chin chin!*

*The Big Bad Wolf he huffed and puffed,
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*In a house of bricks the third pig sat
Big Bad Wolf knocked rat a tat tat
Little pig, little pig let me in*
*Not by the hair on my chinny chin chin!
The Big Bad Wolf he huffed and puffed,
He puffed and huffed,
'Til the roof blew off, but he lost his puff
And the house stayed up
And the Big bad Wolf ran off in the huff.....*

Scene 3 Moving In Together

Only Tidy Pig's brick house remains and the wolf has blown most of the roof off that. The wolf is still about.....

Party Pig and Clumsy Pig arrive and ask Tidy Pig if they can live with her. She says yes and gets them to tidy away the straw and the sticks that they've brought with them.

When they've sat down for a rest, they realise how cold it is in the house.

*It's so cold so cold so cold,
It's so wet so wet so wet,
Water dripping from my nose,
Jack Frost biting at our toes,
It's so cold.....
If we only had a fire,
Like we had at Grandma's House..... Aah.*

*At Grandma's:
Tea and toast upon the table all the time.
At Grandma's:
Bubble baths, Woolen blankets,
Bouncy beds in a line.
At Grandma's:
Didn't have to clean up spills, feel the chills or
pay the bills
Grandma's, at Grandma's, at Grandma's house!*

Their spirits are up but they are still cold. Party Pig tries out a few moves.

Still cold they notice the fireplace..... but it's blocked up after the wolf's visit.

They're stuck, they don't know what to do.....

Hey Piggy Piggy What we gonna do?...
Hey Piggy Piggy Haven't got a clue
We'll have a piggy walk A piggy piggy talk
Don't know what to do.

Hey Piggy Piggy I'll tell you what to do
Hey Piggy Piggy I'll give you a clue
We'll have a piggy walk A piggy piggy talk
I know what to do.

Scene 4 No 1 Dodgy Deal: Jackets

The wolf (in disguise) knocks at the door and persuades them to buy three sparkly, thin jackets.

Party Pig makes the deal..... the wolf's maths is a bit suspect.....

The wolf sings his song He will have his beady eye on you.... You'll never keep the wolf from the door.

They're still cold and sing their 'So Cold' song.

Scene 5 No 2 Dodgy Deal: Electric Heater

The wolf appears above the house putting on a different disguise.... And soon after he knocks on the door bringing another scam.

We need a fire..... says Clumsy Pig

The wolf is selling an electric fan heater. Clumsy Pig pays four coins for the heater but it doesn't work.

They call the wolf.... 'It's not working...', 'That's because you don't have a meter... '

They pay two coins plug the heater in to the meter socket..... 'But it's still not working'....

'That's because you need one of these.....' says the wolf presenting a meter card..... 'You put money on to the card and into the hat'. He throws in a 'free television' which turns out to be a further cheat.

They turn on the heater and watch television as the wolf sings his song 'You'll never keep the wolf from the door'.

But soon the money 'on the meter' runs out..... they're 'So Cold'

'The heat keeps going up out through the roof''what are we going to do?'

Scene 6 No 3 Dodgy Deal: Roofing.

The wolf arrives in a new disguise. He has a 'new roofing system' all the way from Australia.

Tidy Pig falls for his sales pitch and gives him all the money they have left.

The wolf puts the roofing panel (a piece of chicken wire) on the roof and gloats with his song as he covers the sleeping pigs in snow.

All is lost..... they have reached their lowest point and argue.

Scene 7 Grandpa's Letter They remember the letter from Grandma...

Dear Piggies,

*If you are reading this letter you are probably in trouble feeling rather sad.
But remember you have one another, listen to each other and work together....
Use what you already have around you to keep warm and be well.*

Love from,

Grandma.

'We'd need to fix the roof'

'I know, we can use the straw from my straw house'

'I know, we can use the sticks from my stick house'

'Good idea!' They sing 'Hey Piggy Piggy! We know what to do!'

Scene 8 Fixing the Roof

- 1 They put straw on the roof as insulation,
- 2 They make the jackets into curtains to insulate the windows,
- 3 They put a waterproof panel on the roof to keep out the rain,
- 4 They take out the blockage from the chimney and light a fire with some sticks.

*At our house ... Tea and toast upon the table all the time.
At our house... Silver curtains, insulation, keeping warm, we'll be fine
At our house, everything is rosy; we're feeling warm and cosy,
Our house, at our house, at our warm house.*

Knock, knock, knock!

Little Pigs, Little Pigs, Let me in! ...Not by the hair on my chinny chin, chin.

They make a plan.

Scene 9 The Wolf Gets his Just Rewards

The wolf approaches Tidy Pig, but is caught from behind by Party Pig with a jacket, Clumsy Pig ties him up in the heater cord and his tail becomes a handy draught excluder for the door.

Hey Piggy Piggy! Song Lyrics

The Song Story of the Three Little Pigs

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Hey Piggy Piggy!

The Three Little Pigs sing:
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Don't know what to do.

Wolf sings:
Hey Piggy Piggy I'll tell you what to do
Hey Piggy Piggy I'll give you a clue
We'll have a piggy walk, A piggy piggy talk
I know what to do.

Finally the Three Little Pigs sing:
Hey Piggy Piggy We know what to do
Hey Piggy Piggy We have got a clue
We'll have a piggy walk, A piggy piggy talk
Don't know what to do.