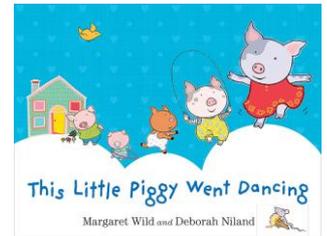


## This Little Piggy Went Dancing by Margaret Wild and Deborah Niland Theme: Let's Get Moving (Feb 2014)



This Little Piggy is a lovely book where piggy doesn't just go to market. These little piggies like to do all sorts of things! These active little piggies will get you up and moving through all types of activities until the last little piggy runs all the way home again.

### Key Message for Parents: Children Learn Through Being Engaged And Doing

- Play is essential to the healthy development of children
- Picture books provide great ideas for parents to play with their children in a meaningful way
- Sharing stories and rhymes is one of the most important ways a parent can help their child's developing brain

### Learning Outcomes: Children Are Confident And Involved Learners

- Children are enthusiastic and active participants in their learning
- Children use play to investigate, imagine and explore ideas
- Children explore their environment through play

### Welcome

Ask carers to write name tags for themselves and their children.

Welcome everyone, introduce yourself, remind adults to turn their mobile phones off and remind them that there will be time for adults to chat after the story and songs.

### Sing

#### Welcome Song (or your preferred song)

Have the words available as a handout or written on a board or butcher's paper for the adults to read and join in.

#### Good Morning/afternoon

Good morning to you

Good morning to you

Good morning everybody

And welcome to you!

For more book suggestions, tip sheets, nursery rhymes, songs and fun things to make and do please visit:

[thelittlebigbookclub.com.au](http://thelittlebigbookclub.com.au)



## Rhyme

“This Little Piggy...” (Traditional)

This little piggy went to market

This little piggy stayed home

This little piggy had roast beef

This little piggy had none

And this little piggy cried weeeee weeee weeee weeeee all the way home!

Now let's get ready to read! Remind children about how good listeners listen to a story: sitting still, hands in your laps, lips still, ears open to listen and eyes on the book! Well done!

## Before Reading

If you have some equipment /props available you could show them now: Here are some things I like to do to have fun: show a skipping rope, a hula hoop, a watering can, a CD, or other things more appropriate to your setting. Do you like to do any of these things? Can you tell me about something active you like to do to have fun?

Today we will read a story called “This little piggy went dancing” which is written by Margaret Wild. It is illustrated by Deborah Niland. Let's have a look at the pigs on the cover. These little piggies aren't going to market, they are skipping, hula hooping, running, and gardening to have fun outside. Let's look at the back cover to see them do some more things. Let's read the story and find out all about what these little piggies like to do.

## During Reading

Read the story with rhythm just like the way you would say the traditional rhyme of “This little piggy went to market”.

When you get to ‘and this little piggy went.....’ you can show the action and encourage the children to do it with you.

## After Reading

Can you tell me something that a piggy did in the book that you liked?

Have a look at the parts of the book when ‘this little piggy stayed home’. Name some of the things that little piggy did. He was very active at home, busy doing a lot of different things. Do you do any of these things at home?



## After Reading continued

Have a look at the parts of the book when "This little piggy had....." (a food). Let's have a look at the foods. Talk about foods that are healthy for us and foods that are sometimes foods and are not so healthy to have every day.

If you were a piggy in this book, what activity would you do?

## Song

Let's sing a song... (to the tune of "Jump if you feel you want to" Playschool Hullabaloo CD)  
Sing the song and do the actions:

Hop, hop, hop if you feel you want to. Hop, hop, hop if you feel you can.  
Hop, hop, hop if you feel you want to. Hop, hop, hop if you feel you can.

Ideas for more verses:

- Hula, hula, hula if you feel you want to. Hula, hula, hula if you feel you can.  
Hula, hula, hula if you feel you want to. Hula, hula, hula if you feel you can.
- Stomp, stomp, stomp
- Skip, skip, skip
- Crawl, crawl, crawl,
- Zoom, zoom, zoom
- Run, run, run if you feel you want to. Run, run, run if you feel you can.  
Run, run, run if you feel you want to. Run, run, run all the way home!

## Other Songs

"Pigs In The Mud" (Poem attributed to Jean Warren)

Tune: "Row, Row, Row Your Boat"

Roll, roll, roll around  
In the mud all day.  
That is what the pigs all do.  
What a way to play!

Roll, roll, roll around  
That is how they stay,  
Oh, so very nice and cool  
On a sunny day!

For more book suggestions, tip sheets, nursery rhymes, songs and fun things to make and do please visit:

[thelittlebigbookclub.com.au](http://thelittlebigbookclub.com.au)



## Other Songs

“Old Macdonald” (Traditional)

Old Mac Donald had a farm, e-i-e-i-o.  
And on this farm, he had some pigs, e-i-e-i-o.  
With an oink, oink here and an oink, oink there,  
Here an oink, there an oink, everywhere an oink, oink,  
Old Mac Donald had a farm, e-i-e-i-o.

Pigs on the Farm (Adapted Traditional)  
Tune: “The Wheels On The Bus”

Oh, the pigs on the farm, go oink, oink, oink,  
Oink, oink, oink, oink, oink, oink.  
Oh, the pigs on the farm, go oink, oink, oink,  
All day long.

## Activity Time – Make Little Piggy Puppets For Your Fingers!

What you will need:

- thick card or paper
- coloured pencils or crayons
- scissors
- googly eyes – optional

What to do:

1. Draw a circle with two triangle ears at the top
2. Cut out the piggy shape
3. Draw a circle the same size as your finger in the middle of the circle (An adult can cut out the circle in the middle of the piggy shape.)
5. Add googly eyes or draw eyes and a mouth.
6. Place the piggy on your finger, now your finger is the piggy’s nose!



Make five little piggies for your fingers.  
Now you can say the “This Little Piggy” rhyme with your piggy puppets!

For more book suggestions, tip sheets, nursery rhymes, songs and fun things to make and do please visit:  
[thelittlebigbookclub.com.au](http://thelittlebigbookclub.com.au)



### Further learning activities and ideas

- Create your own version of 'This little piggy' using actions of your own choosing
- Make a list of fun things you can do to be active at home, challenge yourself to do as many things on your list as you can with your family

### Goodbye

Conclude the session by thanking everyone for coming and suggesting some great books for further fun with boats! The Little Big Book Club recommends the following books for this age group:

- Who Sank The Boat by Pamela Allen
- Pig Out! By Sascha Hutchinson

### Goodbye Song

This is the way we say goodbye (use a waving action)

Say goodbye, say goodbye

This is the way we say goodbye

To all our library friends (or :) to our friend.....)

Depending on the size of your group, you may wish to insert each child's name in the last line rather than 'library friends' as it develops a more personal relationship between yourself, the child and the family.

Sung to the tune of (Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush) or your preferred choice.