



BOOK TITLE: Pigs Love Potatoes  
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**SUMMARY OF BOOK:** The first little pig tells his mother he would like a potato. So the mother puts a pot of water on for the potato. Two of her other piglets come and ask for potatoes, so she tells them they have to peel the potatoes. Then dad comes home and wants a potato, and other people start to show up as she is cooking the potatoes. Everyone helps out. Once finished, they sit down and eat.

**\*BEFORE READING** (Ask questions and use what the child already knows to add to the discussion, assisting the child in understanding and enjoying the book). Ask:

1. What kind of animals do you see on the farm?
2. What do you think is going to happen in the story?
3. Take a "picture walk" through the book and allow the child to give ideas about what is going to happen.
4. What type of food do pigs eat?

**DURING READING:** As you read the book talk with the child about the story and the illustrations. Ask questions such as:

1. Why do you think the little pigs put the potato pees on their father's head?
2. How many pigs are peeling potatoes before the dad comes home?
3. Why is one of the little pigs giving the cat some potatoes?

**AFTER READING** (activity to extend book experience):

Look for opportunities in everyday activities for children to count:

- count the steps when going up or down
- count the apples when putting them in a bag at the grocery store
- count to 10 while sitting at a traffic light
- count the toys as they are thrown into the bathtub

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