# The Three Little Pigs

KS2

Reading Comprehension

DIFFICULTY: EASY

Sidney stood back and admired his new home. It was a beautiful straw roof with four straw walls. He couldn't have been happier. Inside was everything little Sidney needed: a big pot in the kitchen for his swill; a cosy area for him and his brothers to chat and oink the day away; and even a bath full of mud upstairs for him to roll around in after a hard day. What more could he ask for? Sidney trotted inside and began to unpack the few belongings he had. As he did so, he pondered how his brothers were getting on in their newly built homes on the other side of the village. He recalled what his brothers, Mikey and Junior, had said to him when he bought his straw.

"That won't be very sturdy come winter, Sid," Mikey had warned.

"And it won't be very safe and secure either," Junior had added.

Sidney took no notice and was happy he hadn't, as he settled down in his cosy, straw bed.

As night fell, the warm breeze from the day changed when an eerie coldness filled the air. The familiar sounds of the village had been replaced by the ghostly hooting of the owls and the rustling of the night creatures lurking in the shadows. Sidney, who was now in a deep slumber, was unaware that one night creature had been watching him for most of the evening — waiting for his chance. The beast, cloaked in darkness, crept slowly towards the solitary straw house, licking his snarling lips as he got closer. His knife-like teeth were deadly sharp, his eyes were wide and alert and his back was arched ready for the pounce. Just before he reached the door, he raised his nose to the sky and let out a howl which rang for miles. Sidney awoke with a start. At that moment, he knew exactly who the howl belonged to and he was terrified!







# Questions

1. Find and copy one thing Sidney had in his house?		
2. Explain what this piece of evidence suggests about Sidney:		
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happy he hadn't, as he settled down in his cosy, straw bed.		
3. Find and copy a piece of evidence which shows that the night creature wants to eat Sidn	ey: 	
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<b>4.</b> "Inside was everything little Sidney needed: a big pot in the kitchen for his swill; a cosy area for him and his brothers to chat and oink the day away; and even a bath full of mud upstairs for him to roll around in after a hard day. What more could he ask for?"		
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6. Tick the word closet in meaning to pondered:		
Wondered  Studied  Marvelled  Looked at  7. Match the words from the text to their means	ning:	
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sturdy	To look at something with pleasure.	
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#### Evidence

Sidney took no notice and was happy he hadn't, as he settled down in his cosy, straw bed.

#### What does it suggest?

- He was stubborn and didn't listen to advice.
- He was happy with his new home.
- 3. Find and copy a piece of evidence which shows that the night creature wants to eat Sidney:
  - "one night creature had been watching him for most of the evening waiting for his chance."
  - "crept slowly towards the solitary straw house, licking his snarling lips as he got closer."
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