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# The Three Ninja Pigs



## **Synopsis**

Practice makes perfect in this kick-butt fractured fairy tale. Why does this wolf think he can come to town and blow all the houses down? These three little pigs just aren't going to take it from that bully anymore! The first starts aikido lessons--he'll make mincemeat out of that wolf! His brother learns a little jujitsu--he'll chop that guy to pieces! But when the wolf actually appears, it turns out these two pigs aren't quite ready after all. Good thing their sister has been training every day to master some serious karate moves that save the day. KIYA! Corey Rosen Schwartz serves up a fun combination of smart-aleck dialogue and tongue-in-cheek rhymes that'll have kids howling, and rising star Dan Santat's spunky illustrations are sure to pack a punch!

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## **Customer Reviews**

I love this book! It is such a fresh twist on the classic story. The rhymes are clever and fun-great for little ones, but sophisticated enough to keep the adults entertained as well. My son commented on how the pictures were awesome and exciting, full of so much action. In particular, I am thrilled that the pig who saves the day is the female pig. I'm always looking for strong, smart girls in stories as a role model for my daughter and this pig fits the bill. All in all, this is a great book and will be enjoyed over and over by my family.

I rarely write reviews on but after reading "The Three Ninja Pigs" I felt compelled to do so. My boys love anything to do with karate/ninjas so I ordered this book. And not surprisingly my kids LOVED it! I literally had to read it to them three times in a row. But the real surprise was how much I enjoyed it. It is very well written, has great illustrations, and is very funny (from "Pork Chops" and "Mojos" rhymed with "Dojos"). I very highly recommend this book!

This book is really well done and easy to like, with one minor exception. Someone gave us this book because our family is involved in martial arts. The aikido, jujitsu and karate described in this book are just plain inaccurate. Don't let that stop you from buying and enjoying the book, but it seems to me that, with a couple quick wikipedia searches, the authors could have made the book just as fun AND accurate.

We checked this one out of the library along with, literally, every other children's book published on ninjas. This is the one we had to read every night for 9 weeks, and will have to buy. As others have stated, the rhyming and meter are superb. It rolls off the tongue and is fun to read (even over and over again). The illustrations are excellent. But what really sets this book apart, in my opinion, is the lesson it teaches about persistence. The illustrations of the "smartest" pig progressing through all of her karate belts was not lost on my son (currently in karate). She is able to "defeat" the wolf by demonstrating her skills, not by fighting. An absolutely top notch retelling of the 3 pigs story.

There are so many things to love about this book - artwork, rhymes, fun new words, a sister who takes charge. We absolutely love this book and recommend it to any family. While reading tonight, we tried to pick our our favorite page or character expression and we couldn't do it :) (Thanks to our local library who recommended it!)

This book is a current favorite in our house but especially our youngest- my two year old daughter. I originally bought it for her 5 year old brother for when he comes to visit but "Trinity-Pig" has to read the story about her and her brother pigs every night before bed! She is very interested in the importance of "practicing" all kinds of things.... she is very serious about demonstrating her "pork chop," her signature "fist of Trinity," and "Trinity kicks" after studying the pictures of pig three spending her year learning all her moves to get ready to face the wolf. Her 18 year old brother even listens in and laughs with her as pig 2 (Jamal pig) talks to the sensai or she fusses at pig 1 (Isaiah pig) about sleeping in class. She loves it so much we often FaceTime her grandparents so she can

"read" them their night-night story. Wonderful book and I will save it for her children when she becomes an adult and starts her own family.

This has to be my favorite fractured fairytale on the Three Little Pigs hands down. Corey's superb storytelling with flawless rhyme entertains and is sure to leave the reader giggling and rooting for those brave little piggy's. Dan's dynamic and comic character expression compliment the text perfectly.

My kids love this book! My 3 year old daughter was scared sick of the "wolf". After seeing the 3 little pigs by disney and reading the little red riding hood, she was terrified of a fictitious wolf that would come to either blow our house down or tie us up. I tried showing her pictures of cute cuddly wolf cubs, we put up signs by the doors that said "wolf not allowed" and even 'called' the zoo to make sure he was still locked up there...but alas my efforts did not calm her fear. This book did the trick! I love that this book illustrates how to get a bully to leave you alone and you don't really have to physically fight to intimidate the bully -- you can be confident and demonstrate that you shouldn't be "messed with". I also like that it's the sister that is able to fend off the wolf once and for all! You go pig girl number 3! We act it out at night, our 2 year old likes to yell, "NAUGHTY WOLF!" each time he sees him. Yea, naughty wolf -- sister's going to give you a pork chop!

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