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Trade Book Sheet

Title of book: Pig Pig Grows Up

Author's name: David McPhail

Publisher: E.P. Dutton

Copyright year: 1980

Reading level: AD550L Grades 3 – 4

Genre: Modern Fantasy

Synopsis of story: Pig Pig does not want to grow up. He wants to sleep in a crib, sit in his high chair and be pushed around in a stroller. One day Pig Pig does a grown up thing; he saves his stroller from running into a real baby and saves the baby. Pig Pig gets compliments from a lot of people and decides after that he doesn't want to be a baby anymore.

Standard: 1.2.3 English/Language Arts Respond to who, what, when, where, why, and how questions and discuss the main idea of what is read.

Activity: Stick Puppets: Adapted from a lesson by Debbie Haren @

<http://www.lessonplanspage.com/LAFarmAnimalStickPuppets-DramaPK.htm>

Using popsicle sticks and stickers the students will make the characters from the book: Pig Pig, Mother, Baby, and townspeople. In small groups the students will discuss and answer questions, given to them by the teacher, and as the characters in the book.

Standard: 1.7.10 English/Language Arts Use visual aids, such as pictures and objects, to present oral information.

Activity: My Life as a Baby: Each student will bring an item or picture from home which was important to them when they were a baby. In small groups the students will practice a short presentation, telling us what the item is and why it was important to them. The students will then be given the opportunity to present their information to the entire class.