This is a story about a mother dachshund who adopts a little pink pig into her family.

New words and sounds your baby might learn:
pup, cold, night, pink, dachshund, piglets, straw, blanket, sleep, eat, bath, ear.

Before:
- Look at the cover of the book and talk about the picture. Ask your child if he can find the pig.
- Play “This little piggy went to market” with your toddler’s toes.

During:
- Talk about the brown paw prints on the page after the cover. Talk about who they might belong to and who made the pink marks.
- As you read the book talk about the pictures. Relate them to your child’s life. “The puppy is drinking water from a bowl on the floor. You drink out of a glass.”
- Make pig and dog sounds with your child as you read.
- Talk about why the little pig needs to leave his pig family and move into the house with the dogs.
- Help your child find the pig on each page.

After:
- Read other books about pigs.
- Talk about other animals that live on a farm.
- If possible visit a farm and touch a pig.

Try some of the ideas above. Continue to use your own imagination during book play, too. Have fun with the book and enjoy your time together.

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