

BOOKS WORTH READING



A New Twist On Three Old Friends

(NAPSA)—Parents who can remember huffing and puffing their way through a classic tale may want to revisit it with their children.

An updated version of the *The Three Little Pigs* has just been released. In this modern telling, houses of straw and brick still exist, but the story now makes room for video games and aliens from outer space.

However, in her take on the story, author Janet Adams Strong, Ph.D., emphasizes a number of life lessons that can be gleaned from the fact the stone house is still standing at the end. These include:

- Always use the right materials for the right job,
- Don't let strangers in your house, and
- If you want something to stand the test of time, build it with quality products.

Part of what makes this version of the story a great read along for parents and children are the exercises the author includes at the end of the book. The book is sponsored by The Stone Fund.

Two versions of the story—one in English and one in Spanish—can be found under “Kids Rock” on the Web site of the Stone Institute. Copies of the story are made available to



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schools at no charge. The Institute is a non-profit trade association of quarriers, fabricators, dealers, importers, exporters, installers, carvers and restorers of all types of natural stone—granite, limestone, marble, quartzite, sandstone, slate and specialty building stones.

The main purpose of the Institute is to provide guidance on natural stone materials and the stone industry. To learn more about this new telling of a classic—and the virtues of building with stone—visit the Web site at www.buildingstone.org.