## STEM Fairy Tale Challenge:

Think like an engineer: Design wind-resistant houses.



Each of the Three Little Pigs had a house made of a different material. The Big Bad Wolf tried to blow them down. Your challenge is to try to build three sturdy houses!

- 1. Together, brainstorm what kind of materials you can use to represent the three pigs' houses: straw, sticks, and bricks.
- 2. Draw the houses. Think about what other materials you might need. (Will you use something sticky to hold them together, something to tie them, or will you just stack them?)
  - 3. Gather materials around the house/from outside.
    - 4. Put together your designs.
- 5. Use a fan to create a breeze. or let your child huff and puff, to test the designs! Did any of them hold together?
  - 6. If any fell down, what can you try to strengthen them? Redesign them. Test again!

Send us a photo of your work at **illml@cwmars.org** and we will feature it on our social media! (We will not share your contact information.)

