



Pigs in the Kitchen





Warren stood beside the bed and oinked softly. Jon didn't wake up. Warren oinked louder.

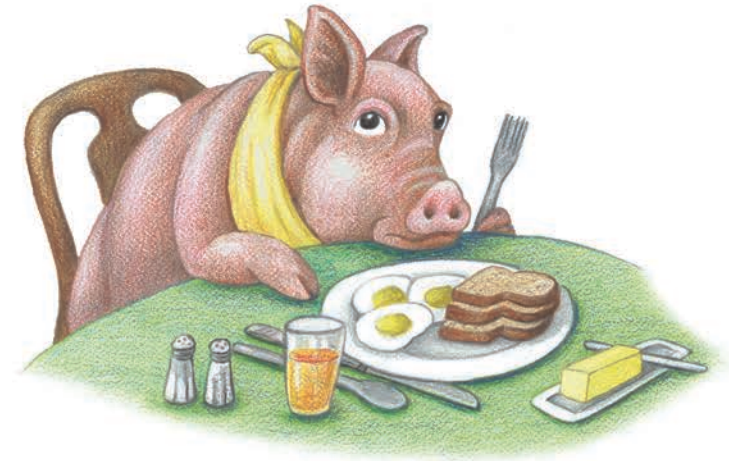
"Grunt, grunt."

Jon groaned and pressed the pillow over his ears.

But Warren was *hungry*! And he was tired of waiting for Jon to wake up and fix breakfast every morning.

"Eeeeeeeeeeeee!" Warren squealed loud and long.

Jon rolled off the bed and landed on the floor. PLUNK! Then he got up and stumbled to the kitchen. Warren sighed when he saw that they were having fried eggs and toast—again.



For lunch, Jon made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, but they weren't very good. "Too much jelly and not enough peanut butter," Warren said to himself.

Dinner was not much better because Jon made frozen TV dinners. He offered Warren a bite, but Warren turned up his snout at the tray. He couldn't believe that someone would eat dinner out of a box.

“I’ll have to take matters into my own hooves,” Warren thought as he munched on dry cereal.

Bright and early the next morning, Warren trotted to the kitchen. “I’m a capable pig,” he said to himself. “I’ll fix my own breakfast.” But he didn’t know how to cook. He had never even opened a cupboard before. “No matter,” he said. “I can learn.”

Warren strutted to the kitchen counter and grabbed Jon’s apron. He was ready!



“Now I must find a proper recipe.” Warren poked around Jon’s collection of cookbooks, but none were written for potbellied pigs. He settled on a book called *101 Hearty Breakfasts* because it seemed the most piggish.

A recipe for strawberry pancakes with toasted pecans didn’t sound too difficult. Warren decided to try it.



He stirred and poured and cooked just like the recipe said, but the first pancake came out gloppy and drippy. He ate it anyway. The second pancake was burned to a crisp. He ate it anyway.

After making and eating eleven pancakes, Warren made one that was just right. He ate it. It was good. He was very excited—and very full.



Warren got into the habit of making his own meals instead of waiting for Jon. He made fancy cinnamon apple cookies (adding extra raisins because pigs like raisins), sweet potato pie with crumble topping (skipping the nutmeg because pigs don't like nutmeg), and tuna pot pie (with lots of extra-creamy sauce because pigs like sauce).

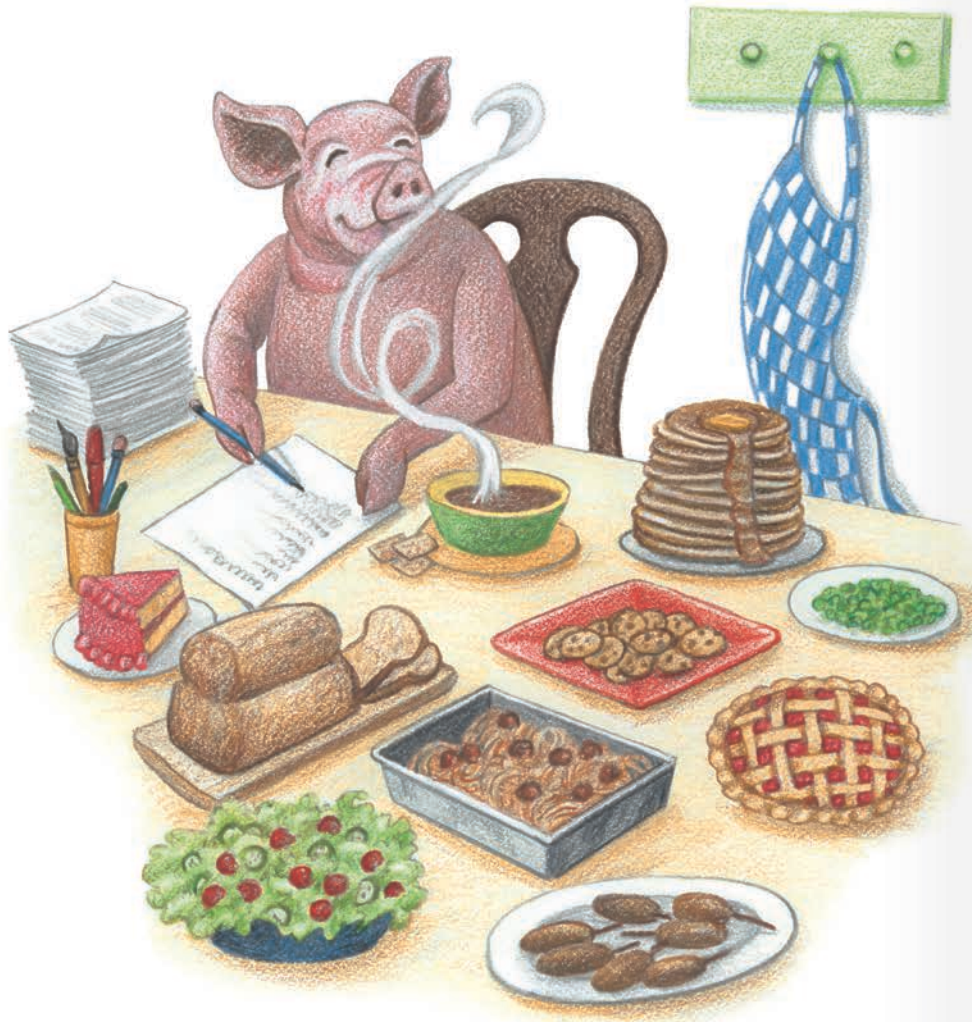
Warren spent all his spare time in the kitchen, transforming boring recipes into pig-pleasing fare.

One morning as he munched on a fudge mint popcorn ball, he had an idea. "I should write my recipes down and share them with my friends!" Warren knew he couldn't be the only one who wished for a pig-friendly cookbook.

Full of ideas and eager to start, Warren hung up his apron and grabbed a notebook. He settled in at Jon's desk where he had a nice view of the fields outside.



Warren wrote and wrote and wrote. Then he whipped up some more recipes, the kind of recipes that would delight pigs everywhere. And then he went back to Jon's desk and wrote some more.

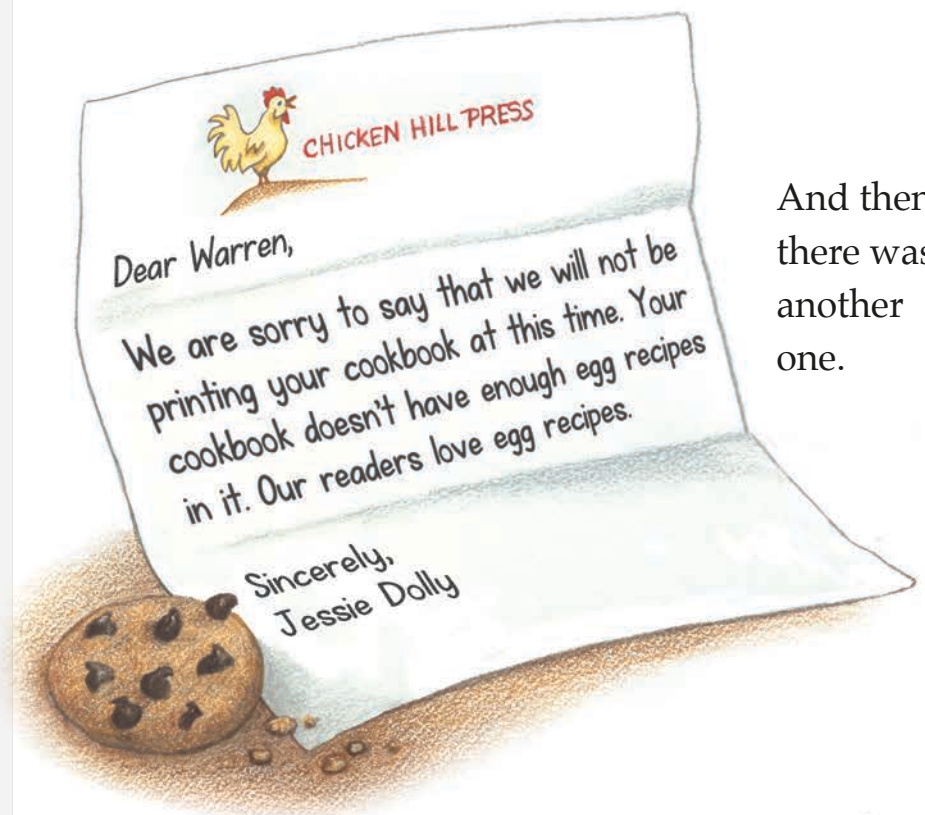
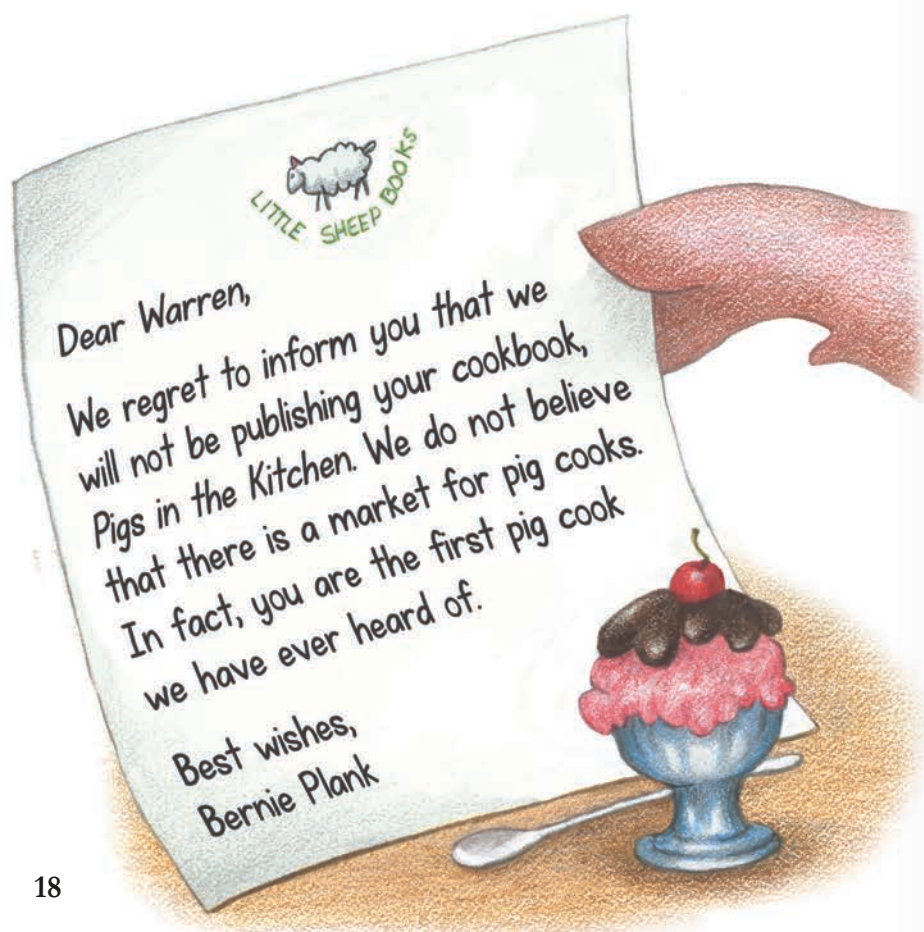


When he'd finished penning his recipes, Warren decided to add some cooking tips of his own. He'd discovered so many things while learning to cook and he wanted to share them with the world.



It was time to share his recipes and tips with other potbellied pigs! Warren wrote brief cover letters, stuffed copies of his recipes into big envelopes, and addressed them to some of the biggest cookbook publishers in New York. Then he sat back and waited for the good news to pour in.

When he got his first response, Warren tore open the envelope.

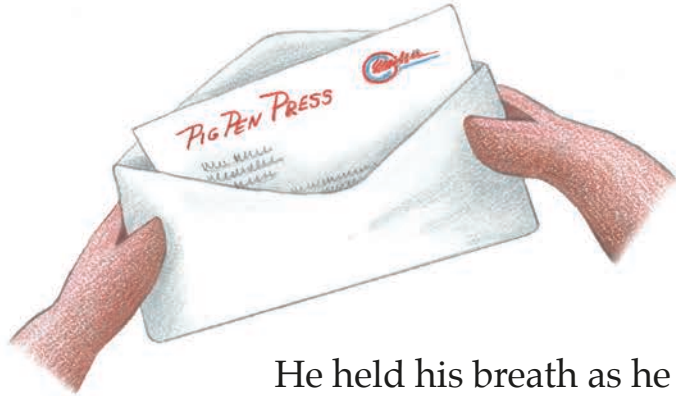


And then there was another one.

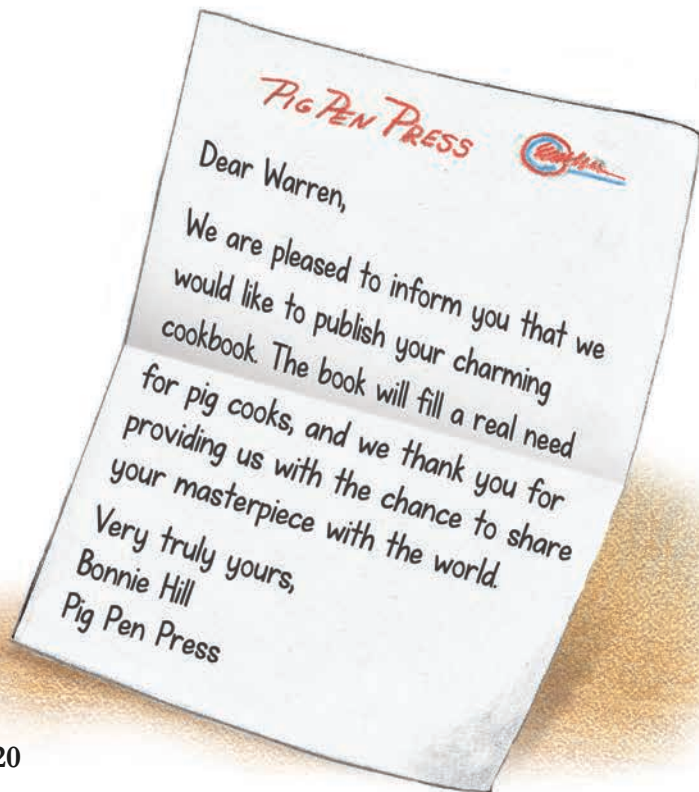
And another.



Warren couldn't believe his eyes. He thought he had written such a useful cookbook, but maybe he had just wasted his time.



He held his breath as he opened the last envelope.



Warren's cookbook was going to be published!



His recipes weren't for cows. His recipes weren't for chickens. His recipes weren't for sheep.

But potbellied pigs across the country were grateful for Warren's groundbreaking cookbook. Warren was their hero. They were no longer at the mercy of their owners' alarm clocks and bad cooking. Pigs everywhere went wild for Warren's cookbook, and it was an overnight bestseller.

Fan letters poured in by the hundreds,
begging Warren to write another cookbook.

There was nothing he could do but tie on
his apron, preheat the oven, and sharpen his
pencil. It was time to start writing the sequel,
Warren's Piggiest Recipes!





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