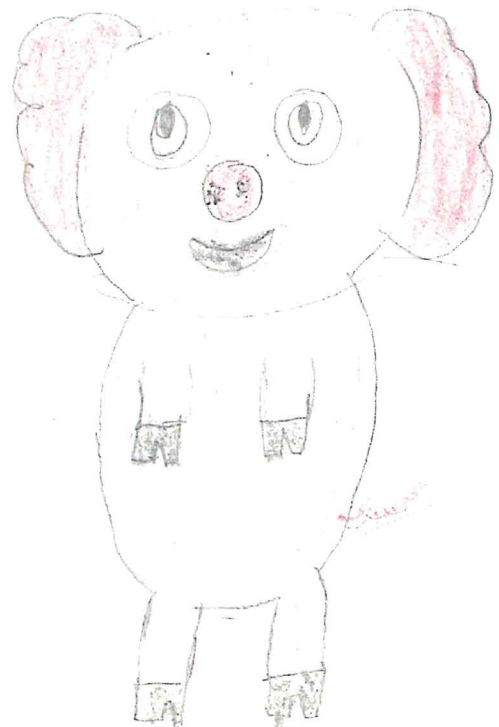


The Little Pigling

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Once upon a time, there was a Mama pig and her pigling named Elmer, who had very LARGE ears.



When they went out, everyone laughed at Elmer, especially a puppy named Billy. Elmer asked, "Why do they laugh at me?" Mama said, "You don't look like they expect you to look." Elmer was sad and miserable. The teasing kept happening.



One day, when Elmer was out walking he saw another pigling being teased by Billy. She was crying. Elmer said, "Hey, stop teasing her, that's mean." She thanked Elmer and said, "My name is Tilly. I get teased about my long tail all the time." "I know what its like to be teased about my big ears." They became best friends and played every day. Mama was happy.



One night Elmer heard something, so he got out of bed and looked out the window where He saw a wolf trying to get into someone's house! He knew he had to do something, so he called Tilly and they warned everyone in town.



In no time at all, everyone was ready for the wolf, except for Billy. Billy was outside walking around trying to prove there was no wolf. Just then the wolf jumped out and chased Billy. Elmer thought quickly and said to the wolf, "Hey! Over here!" Then the wolf started chasing Elmer! Elmer ran until he reached a cliff and had nowhere to go. When the wolf caught up to Elmer, it jumped at him, Elmer ducked, and the wolf fell over the edge of the cliff! Everyone from the town came to the cliff and cheered for Elmer and Tilly, even Billy. Elmer was happy, really happy. The town celebrated all day and from that day on, nobody teased anyone ever again.

