



# Farms, Barns, & Tractors

WTG At Home, Spring Quarter Weeks 7 & 8

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**\*Materials listed in purple will be provided at March 25th Art Pickup\***

## Art Activity: Duck & Sheep Puppets



**Materials:** Duck shape, sheep shape, 2 craft sticks, yellow feathers, cotton balls, glue.

**Directions:** Use glue to cover the duck shape with feathers and the sheep shape with cotton balls. Once they are dry, tape or staple the animal shapes to the craft sticks. Elmer's glue works best for this activity, and the easiest way to use it is to pour some into a small container or on a paper plate and have your toddler use a paintbrush to apply it.

## Art Activity: Vegetable Stamping

**Materials:** White paper, paint, vegetables such as bell pepper, broccoli, ear of corn, carrot, celery. Any veggie with an interesting texture will work!

**Directions:** Set out paint and let toddler dip the veggies in paint and stamp them on the paper. Cutting the vegetables in half makes it easier for your child to hold and creates more interesting shapes.

**Adaptation:** Taping the paper to the table will make it easier for young toddlers.

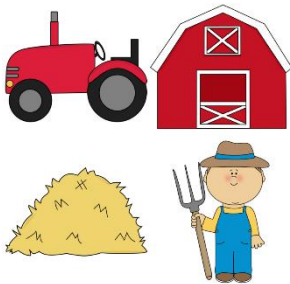
**Extension:** Ask your older toddler to make a pattern with their vegetable stamps.



## Puzzles: Farm Puzzles

**Materials:** Printed page of puzzles

**Directions:** Cut each picture out. You will have 4 puzzles. Then cut each picture into pieces for your toddler to put back together.



**Adaptations and Extensions:** You can adjust the difficulty of the puzzles by how many pieces you cut them into. For young toddlers, simply cutting them in half may be challenging enough. To make them more challenging, cut them into more pieces, or make the pieces “jigsaw” shaped.

## Fine Motor: Feed the Farm Animals

**Materials:** Farm animal faces, green pipe cleaners, sturdy container with lid (oatmeal container, sour cream carton, ricotta cheese carton, or the plastic cup from January), tongs (optional)

**Directions:** Cut the pipe cleaners into small pieces. Tape the faces to the lids of your containers. Cut a hole for the animal’s mouth and a matching hole in the container lid. Give your child the pipe cleaner pieces and ask them to feed the animals!



**Adaptations:** Cut the hole larger for young toddlers. You can also tape the cup to the table with clear packing tape to help hold it in place.

**Extensions:** Ask your toddler to use tongs to feed the animals. Turn it into a game by rolling a die and taking turns feeding the animals the number of pieces of pipe cleaner that comes up.

## Imaginative Play: Block Barn

**Materials:** Blocks, toy farm animals, toy tractors, any farm-type toys

**Directions:** Use your blocks to build a barn with your toddler. Use the farm animals and tractors to pretend play about a farm.



**Adaptations:** For younger toddlers, use the animals to practice animal sounds.

**Extensions:** Practice position words (inside, outside, next to, between, etc.) by moving animals and tractors around the barn.

## Imaginative Play: Sheep & Duck Puppet Show

**Materials:** Duck and Sheep puppets from art activity

**Directions:** Use the duck and sheep puppets from the art activity for a puppet show! You can make a puppet theater out of a large cardboard box, or just hide behind a table or couch.



## Gross Motor: Farm Movement Game

**Materials:** Farm Movement Cards

**Directions:** Place the cards face down in a stack on the table. Take turns turning over the top card and doing the movement on the card.



**Adaptation:** Do each movement together instead of taking turns.

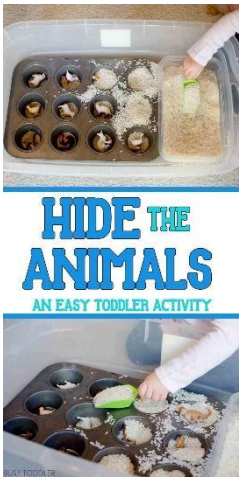
## Sensory Bin: Popcorn

**Materials:** Unpopped Popcorn, farm animals or other farm toys, shovels, scoops, funnels, etc.

**Directions:** Fill your sensory bin with unpopped popcorn kernels and farm toys



## Sensory Bin: Hide the Animals!



**Materials:** Muffin tray, toy farm animals (or other toy animals or small toys), rice or popcorn, small bin that fits inside your sensory bin, small scoop

**Directions:** Place the muffin tray inside your sensory bin. Put an animal in each muffin spot. Fill the smaller bin with rice, or reuse the popcorn from our other sensory bin activity. Encourage your toddler to hide the animals by filling each muffin cup with rice/popcorn until the animals are all covered.

**Extension:** Once the animals are hidden, give your toddler a set of tongs and challenge them to get each animal out.

## Science: Homemade Butter

**Materials:** Heavy cream, small jar with a lid

**Directions:** Pour heavy cream into the jar and screw the lid on tightly. Shake vigorously, taking turns with your toddler. Eventually the cream will become solid and turn into butter. Pour out excess liquid, spread on a piece of bread and enjoy!

**Extensions:** Before you begin, ask your child to predict what will happen. How long do you think it will take? Record their predictions on paper, then check to see if they were correct.



## **Songs and Fingerplays:**

[Little Red Wagon](#)

[The Wheels on the Tractor](#)

[Ten Little Chicks](#)

[Ten Fluffy Chicks](#)

[When Cows Get Up In the Morning](#)

[Good Morning Farm Animals](#)

## **Read Alouds:**

[Big Red Barn, by Margaret Wise Brown](#)

[Mrs. Wishy Washy's Farm, by Joy Cowley](#)

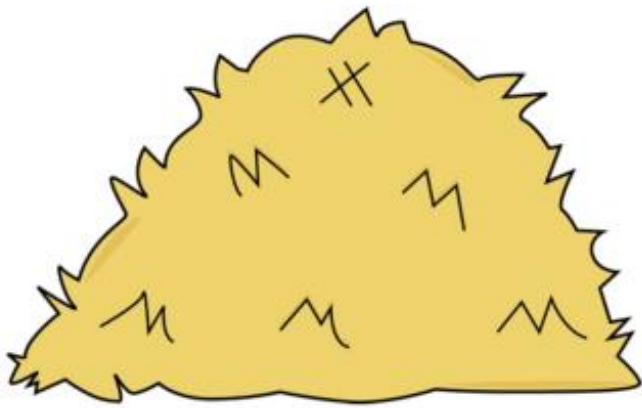
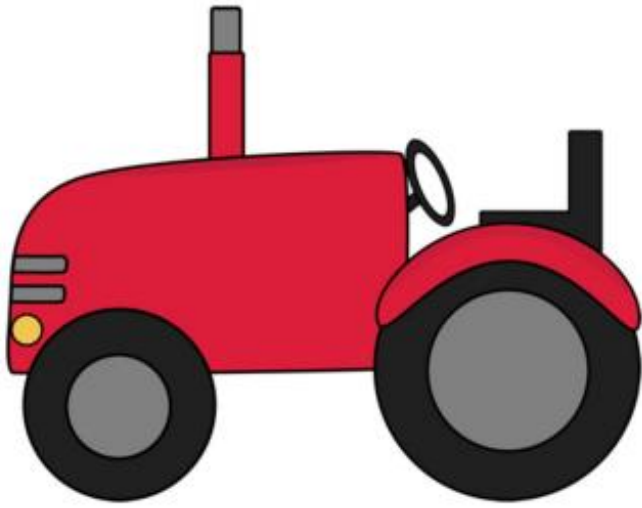
[World of Farming: Farm Animals](#)

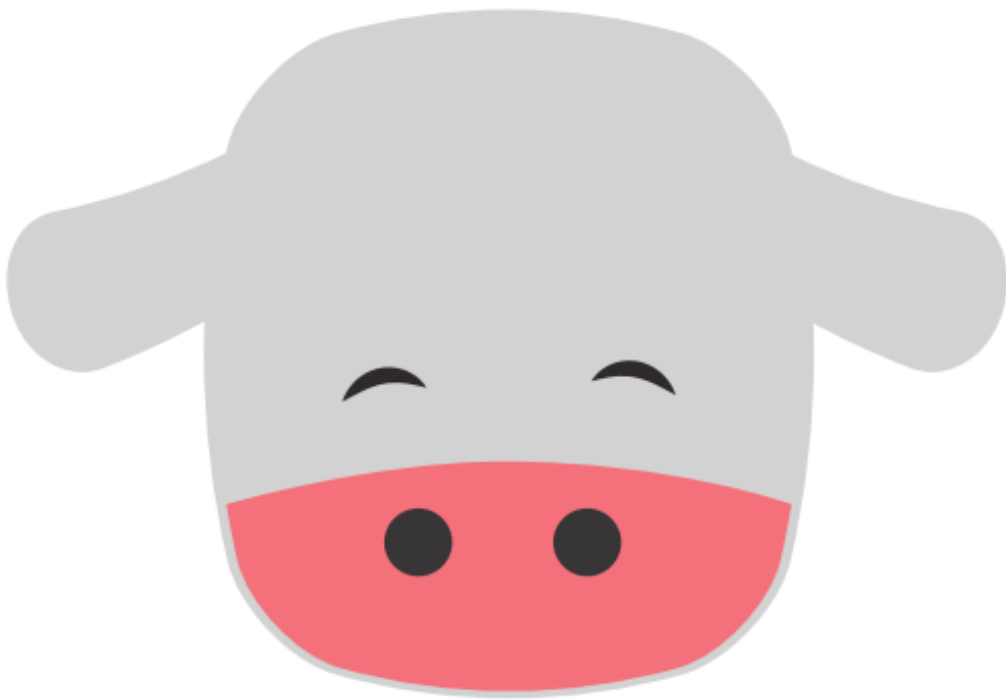
[Noisy Farm, by Rod Campbell](#)

[Pete the Cat Old MacDonald Had a Farm, by James Dean](#)

[Barnyard Dance, by Sandra Boynton](#)











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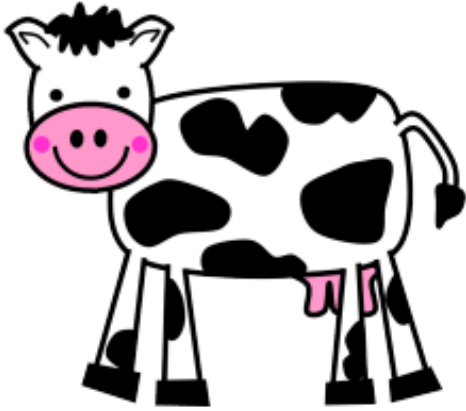
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eating grass

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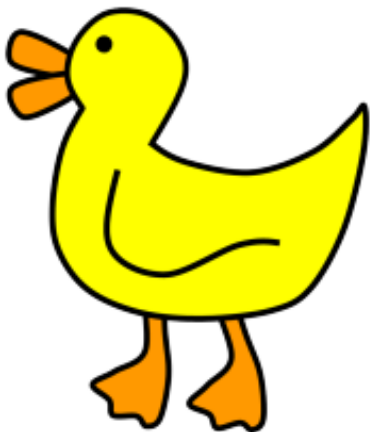
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like a tractor

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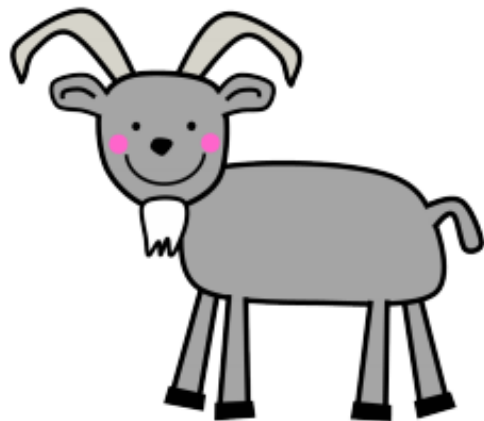
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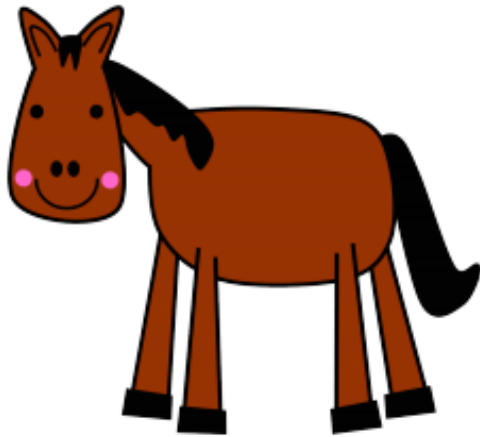
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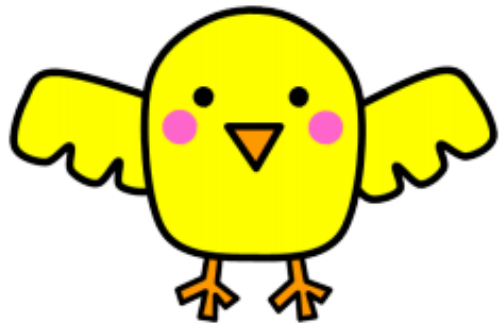
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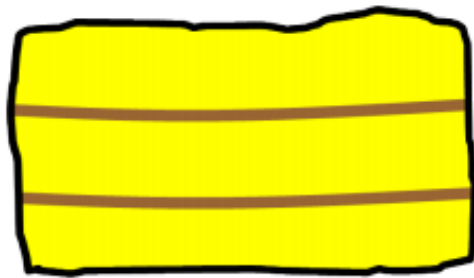
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JUMP



over bales  
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ROLL



like a pig  
in mud

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