



Resource List:

What Does a Farmer Do?

Learning about farmers helps young children understand the people behind the local foods they enjoy and the care that goes into raising healthy animals. When children see how farmers feed, shelter, and look after animals, they begin to appreciate the responsibility and hard work involved in producing foods like milk, eggs, and meat. This builds respect for both the animals and the farmers who care for them, while strengthening children's connection to their community's food system. Exploring topics like daily farm chores, animal care, and where animal foods come from can help early learners understand the important role animal farmers play in local agriculture.

EDUCATIONAL HAND-OUTS & ACTIVITIES:

- [Preschool Farm Theme](#)
- [Farm Bingo](#)
- [Dairy Farm Lesson Plan](#)
- [Foods Animals Eat!](#)
- [What Doesn't Belong on the Farm](#)
- [Farmers Grow Food](#)
- [Farm Coloring Sheets](#)
- [The Hayride](#)
- [The Story of Milk](#)
- [Paint, Play, & Wash Barnyard Animals](#)
- [Farm Dramatic Play](#)
- [Feed the Animals Activity](#)
- [Farm Sanctuary](#)
- [Seasons on the Farm](#)

BOOKS TO READ:

- [Apple Farmer Annie](#) - Monica Wellington
- [Click, Clack, Moo Cows That Type](#) - Doreen Cronin
- [Tractor Mac Arrives at the Farm](#) - Billy Steers
- [Winter on the Farm](#) - Laura Ingalls Wilder
- [Old MacDonald Had a Truck](#) - Steve Goetz
- [Right This Very Minute](#) - Lisl H. Detlefsen
- [The Berenstain Bears Down on the Farm](#) - Stan & Jan Berenstain

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