

## **Barnyard Banter**

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**Old MacDonald Had a Farm Song -** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EGymN-Lc87M>

**Summary-**This book is about different types of animals in their environment making their distinctive sounds. This tale portrays animals realistically leading to more learning and better knowledge about the unique of each animal.

### **Extended questions/Speaking and listening**

- What do you think this book is about?
- Read the title and define the word Banter. (engage in playful back forth talk with a friend)
- Have the child describe what animals in each picture are doing. Prompt by asking: "What do you think the animal is doing? "or" I wonder what the (animal) sound like?"

### **Vocabulary**

- **Pasture-** Grass and or other plants for feeding livestock.
- **Barnyard-**A yard surrounding a barn.
- **Wallow-**Swim, Bask
- **Cornfield-**A field in which corn is grown.

### **Materials**

- colorful popsicle sticks or color craft sticks
- animal face printouts
- glue
- construction paper or card stock

### **Activities for toddlers or preschoolers (Farm puppet show craft)**

Help the child build the barn craft by:

- A. Arrange the colored craft sticks /Popsicle sticks as shown in the picture. This can be done on top of any cardboard at home.
- B. With the help of glue, stick the bottom and the top popsicle sticks/craft sticks on top of the vertical popsicle sticks as shown in the picture

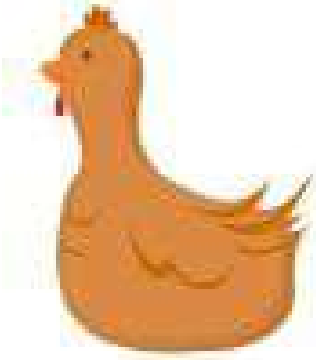


- C. Make the barn roof using construction paper
- D. Glue the roof to the popsicle sticks barn as shown in the picture.
- E. Give the barn craft time to dry before using it.



### Instructions to play the game

Ask the child to pretend play by placing the animal popsicle sticks into the bottom of the barn as shown below. Sing Old MacDonald with child while mimicking the sounds of the animals in the barn craft. Repeat with all animals. Have fun!!



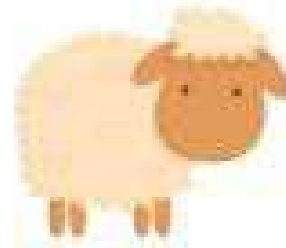
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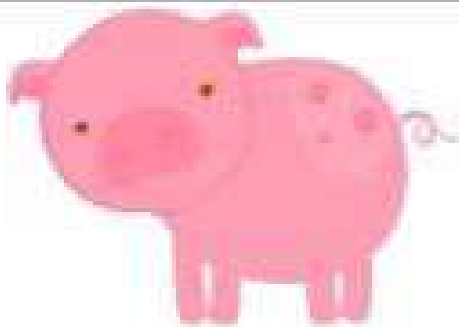
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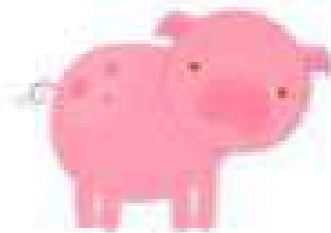
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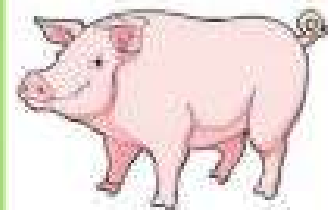
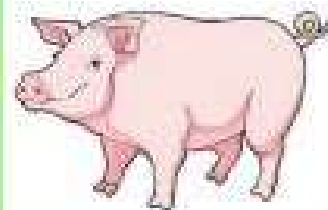
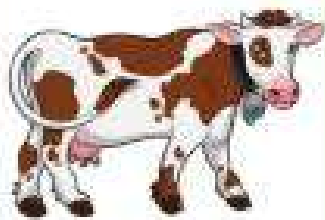
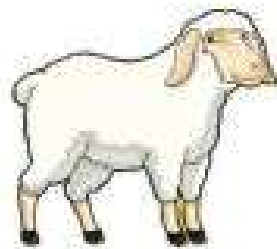
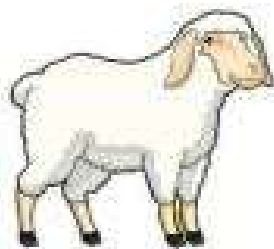
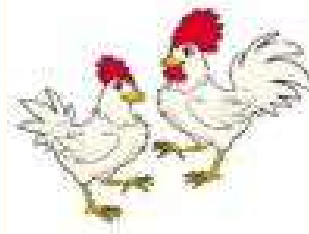
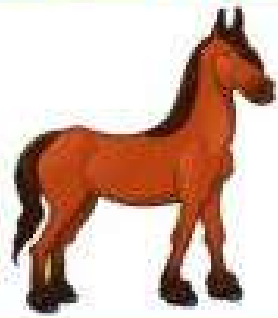
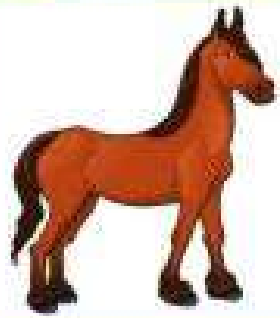


Pig



Piglet

# Memory game Farm animals



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