

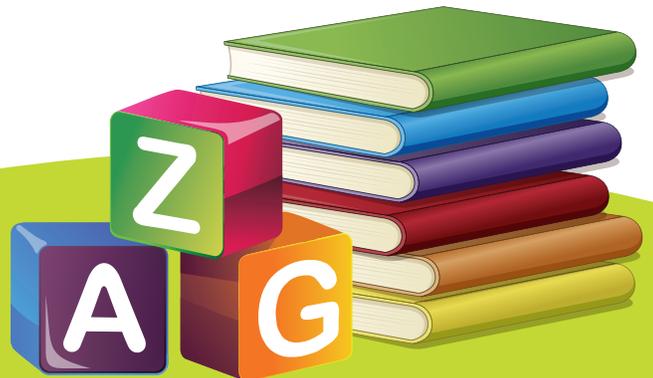
James is a grade five science student in Mrs. Betty's class. Mrs. Betty tells her class, "We will be going on a field trip to a local farm next Thursday where we'll learn about planting, harvesting, herding, poultry, and fertilizing."

James is so excited because he has never been to a farm before and has always wanted go!

"Have you ever been to a farm before?" James asks Ben.

"No! I've never been, have you?" Ben asks James.

"Nope! But I can't wait to go!" James says.





FIELD TRIP  
TO THE FARM



It's finally Thursday and James is getting ready to go to the farm.

He's got on a pair of overalls, a long sleeve shirt, and rubber boots.

His lunch is packed, and he can hardly wait to get there! He grabs a baseball cap from the front hallway hook and heads outside to the bus.

"Bye, mom!" James calls to his mother from the front door.

"Bye, James! Have a great time, and lots of fun!" his mother says.





"How much longer until we get there?" James asks, he can hardly contain his excitement.

"Just a few more minutes," Mrs. Betty assures him as the bus turns down a dirt road that has a farm far off in the distance.

James and his classmates finally arrive at the Michael Stewart Farm. They will learn about the different animals that live there such as horses, cows, pigs, goats, and sheep during the field trip.





“Alright, class!” Mrs. Betty shouts, “It’s time to move on to the next activities! You will learn how to collect eggs, see a demonstration of milking cows, learn how corn grows, how to plant seeds, when the crops are harvested, and we’ll get to go on a wagon ride with the farmer!”

“Yay!” James and his friends shouted. They couldn’t wait to explore the farm even more.

The farm is massive and has a ton of different barns for different things! One barn is for storing animal food like grain and corn. Another barn is for storing equipment like tractors, spreaders, and wagons. Another one is used for housing animals like cattle, pigs, and sheep!





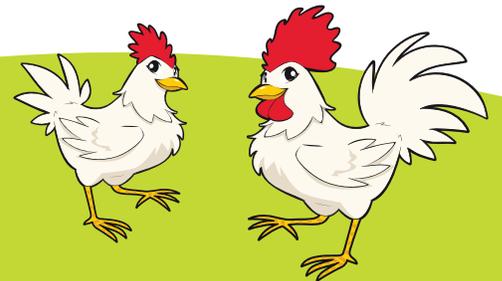
"This is how we collect eggs," the farmer said as he reached into a special section of the chicken coop.

"The chickens sit in nest boxes, and they lay their eggs. If we don't collect them in time, they can turn into chicks with the right amount of warmth!"

"Whoa, that's so cool!" Ben said.

"Let's move on to the cows," the farmer directed as the class followed.

The class enjoyed learning all about farming and they especially liked learning about the history of the Michael Stewart Farm. "I liked collecting eggs the best," Ben said as he held a baby chick in his hands. "I liked that we got to watch a cow being milked!" Kate said. "I like that we got to plant seeds! I can't wait to come back to harvest them when they're ready!" James said with a smile.





At the end of the field trip, the farmer Michael Stewart, gave James and his classmates baskets of fruits and vegetables to take home.

"I hope you enjoy all of these fruits and veggies! Eating fruits and vegetables is essential in building good health, especially at your age while you're still growing," The farmer said as he handed out the baskets.

"Thank you, Mr. Michael!" James said as he accepted the gift.

The entire class was thrilled with the beautiful rainbow of healthy food.

When James got home, he told his parents and siblings all about the farm. "It was the greatest day ever! We got to see and do all sorts of fun things, like feed the animals, go on a hayride, and see how things are grown," James said excitedly. "Plus, we got this!" James said as he showed the family the array of yummy foods.

"It sounds like quite an adventure!" James' mother Mrs Samantha smiled. "How about I prepare some of this beautiful food for dinner and desert?"

"Great!" James said. "I can't wait to taste it!"



James and his family sit down for dinner. "This corn looks so juicy!" James' brother Michael says.

"I like how deliciously creamy the mashed potatoes look!" James' sister Mary chimes in.

"I think the carrots look sensational!" James' father Mr Thomas says as he rubs his hands together and smiles.

"But what about this fabulous cherry pie?" James' mother asks.

James and his family says its great,

"Plus, there's ice cream!"

The family enjoyed their delectable dinner from a bountiful harvest that was fresh from the farm.

When the dishes were done and the table cleaned off, and James was finally tucked into bed, he dreamt of having his own farm one day.

