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Animals are all around, high in the sky and low on the ground. There are **wild** animals (= that live free in nature) and **domestic** animals (= that live close to people). Wild animals live in **forests, fields, deserts and even on ice and snow**. You can find wild animals in **a zoo** where they are kept for people to see them. Some domestic animals live on **a farm** where people look after them. You can also see them there. Farm animals include: **sheep, pigs, cows, horses, chickens, goats, geese and some others**.

Activity: Arrange these animals into two groups:

## Domestic (farm) animals



camel



sheep



tiger



goat



chicken



elephant

## Wild animals



cow



bear



giraffe



pig



horse



goose

## Do you know what farm animals eat?

Horses, cows and sheep **graze** on **grass** (= eat grass in the fields). Rabbits love **leaves**. Pigs eat almost anything: **grass, corn, vegetables and even other small animals**. Goats eat **plants** but are also known for eating almost anything including **paper and clothes**! Chickens eat **grass, corn and seeds**. Geese eat **seeds, berries and grass**.

Why not try to feed animals on your next visit to the farm?  
It is great fun!



# Why do people keep farm animals? How are they useful? (= good for us)

Activity: Match animals with how they are useful to people.

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| -cows     | - Give wool that is used to make warm clothes: jumpers and socks.                         |
| -horses   | - Kept for meat called pork and bacon, found in sausages.                                 |
| -pigs     | - Kept for meat and fur.  |
| -turkeys  | - Give us milk which is used to produce cheese and yoghurt.                               |
| -chickens | - Kept for meat called beef.  |
| -goats    | - Give us eggs. Kept for meat and feathers.   |
| -rabbits  | - Used to carry people and pull carts. It's fun to ride them!                             |
| -sheep    | - Kept for meat that is used for Christmas dinners!                                       |
|           | - Give us milk which is used to produce cheese and yoghurt that are particularly healthy! |

# Each animal on a farm has its own way of moving.

On a farm animals are all kept in all different places to make them feel more **comfortable** (= good). Cows and sheep **roam** (= walk) around in the fields. Goats often climb over walls and things. They can even climb trees! Pigs are happy to stay in a **pigsty** (= a place with a fence around it). Horses live in **a stable** (= a big shed) but like to exercise in the field. They love running! Chickens live in **a hen house** (= a shed) but they also like to roam around. Chickens and geese are birds, but they prefer to walk rather than fly.

# Activity: Match the picture with the descriptions.

I like to be near water.



I can fly, but prefer to walk.

I can run fast.



I can eat almost anything.

I can hop.

I can climb trees.



I like to be in a herd (= group).

These animals are still babies.

Activity: What will they be called when they grow up?



piglets



foal



kids



chicks



calves



lambs



kittens



puppies



Some animals make good pets.

Others are **too scary!**



**Activity: Which animals would YOU like to take home?**



crocodile



rabbits



rat



horse



dogs



hamster

