At the Farm

Today we will be...

Exploring what farms are and why they are important.



Have you ever been to a farm before?

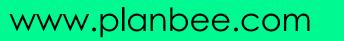




What was it like?

What did you see there?





Farms are very important because they provide us with a lot of the food we eat.

Did you know that all these foods come to us from farms?

milk



meat

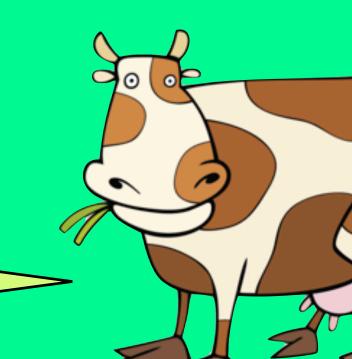


vegetables



bread

cheese



Let's find out more...



There are several different types of farm. Some farms are **arable** farms. This means that they grow crops in their fields. The crops can be wheat, oat, barley, fruits, vegetables and many other plants.



- Wheat is ground into flour which is used to make breads, cakes, biscuits and more
- Oats are used for porridge and often as a feed for animals
- Potatoes are a root vegetable that grow in the ground. There are lots of different ways to eat potatoes, such as chips, mash or roasted.

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On arable farms, the farmers harvest the crops they have grown once they are ripe. They can then sell the grains to factories so that they can turn them into flour or other useful things, or they can sell the fruits and vegetables to shops to be sold.

A farmer harvesting lettuce



A farmer harvesting wheat



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Some farms focus on raising animals instead of crops. These are called **livestock** farms. Livestock farmers rear animals for meat or for other products such as wool or eggs.



Cows are reared for beef which makes foods like burgers and steaks.



Pigs are raised for pork which makes foods like sausages, bacon and ham.





As well as meat, sheep can be reared for wool.

Lots of livestock farms rear chickens for eggs.



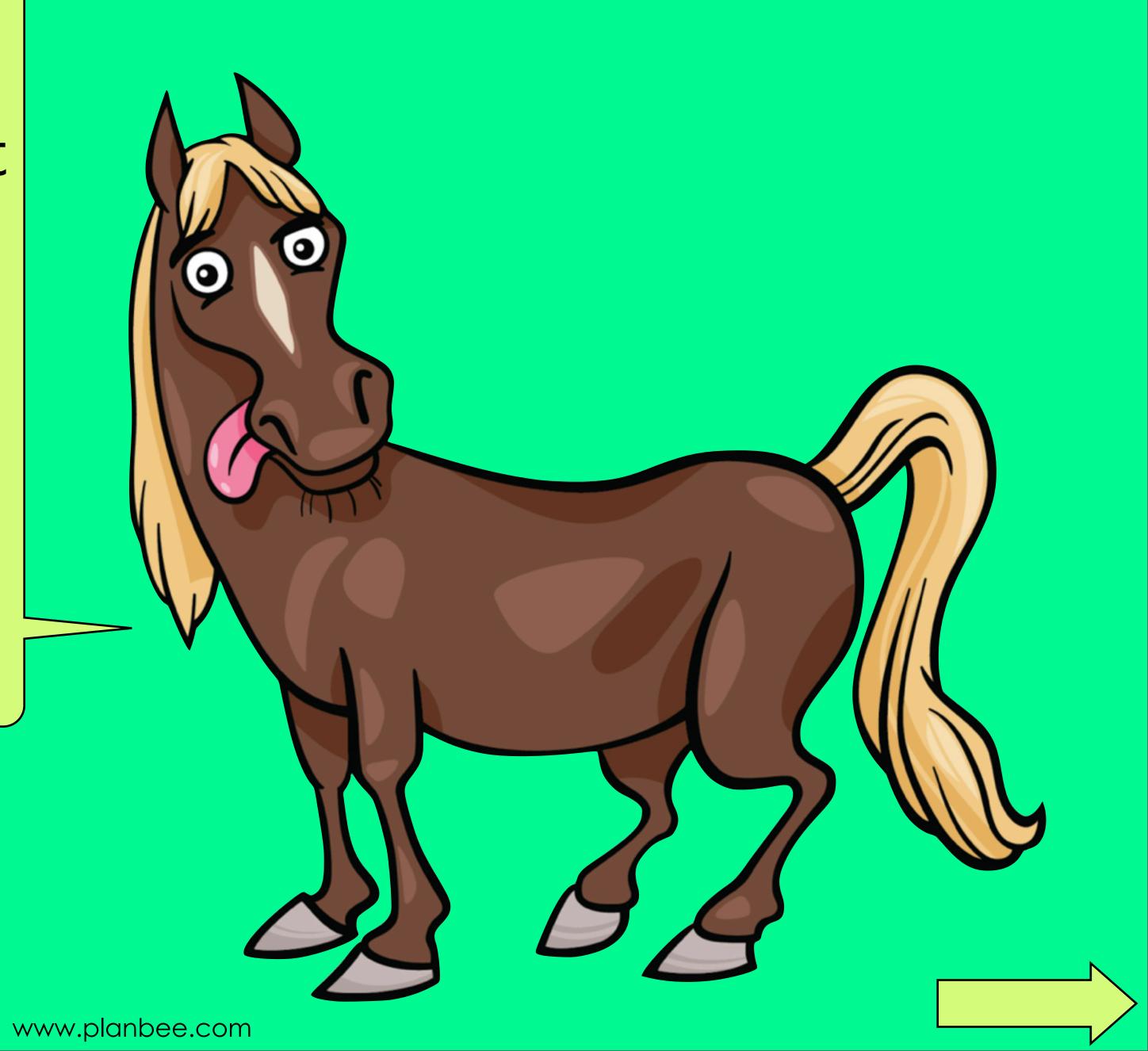
Another type of farm that raises animals is a dairy farm. Dairy farms use the milk from cows, goats and other animals to create products like cheese, yogurt and butter (as well as milk of course!). Farmers in the past had to always milk their animals by hand but today most dairy farms have machines to help them.



This picture shows cows attached to a milking machine. Can you see how the udders are attached to tubes?



Have a look at the different types of foods on the next slides and see if you can remember which type of farm each one comes from.



What kind of farm does BACON come from?



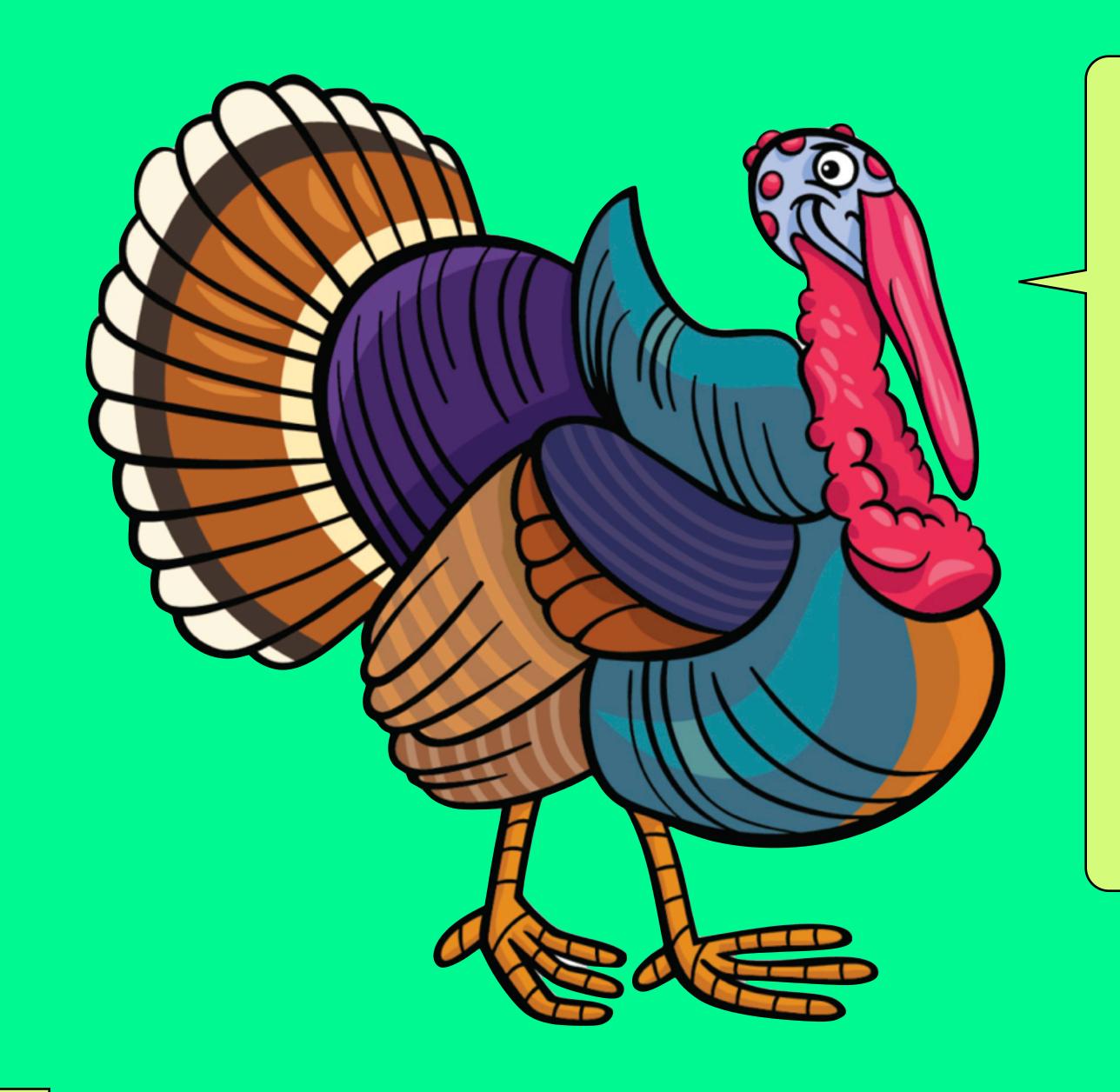


Arable farm

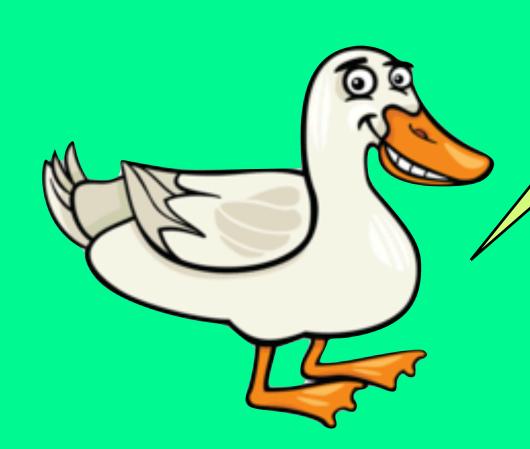
Livestock farm

Dairy farm





Bacon comes from livestock farms because bacon comes from pigs.



What kind of farm does BREAD come from?



Arable farm

Livestock farm

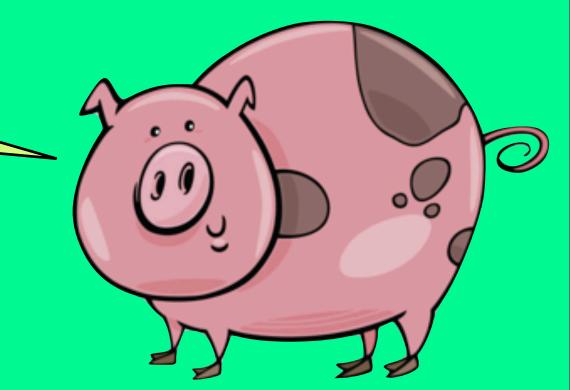
Dairy farm

Bread comes from the wheat that is grown on arable farms.



What kind of farm does CHEESE come from?





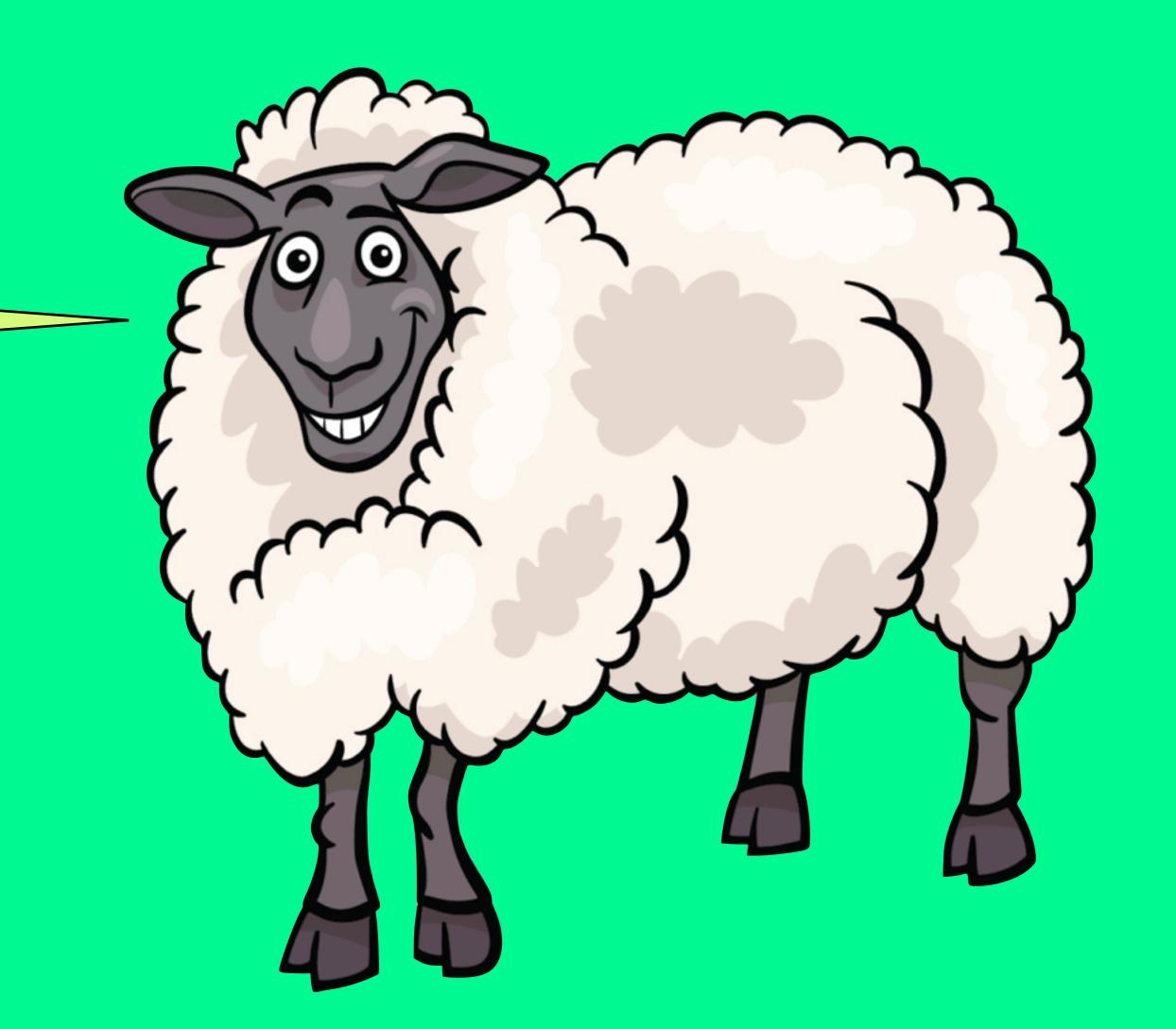
Arable farm

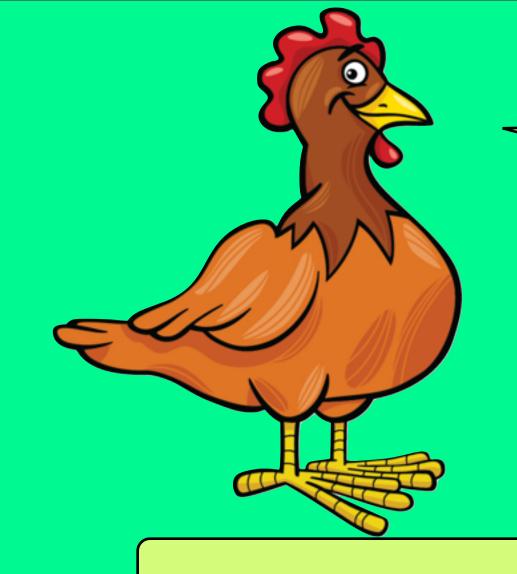
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Dairy farm



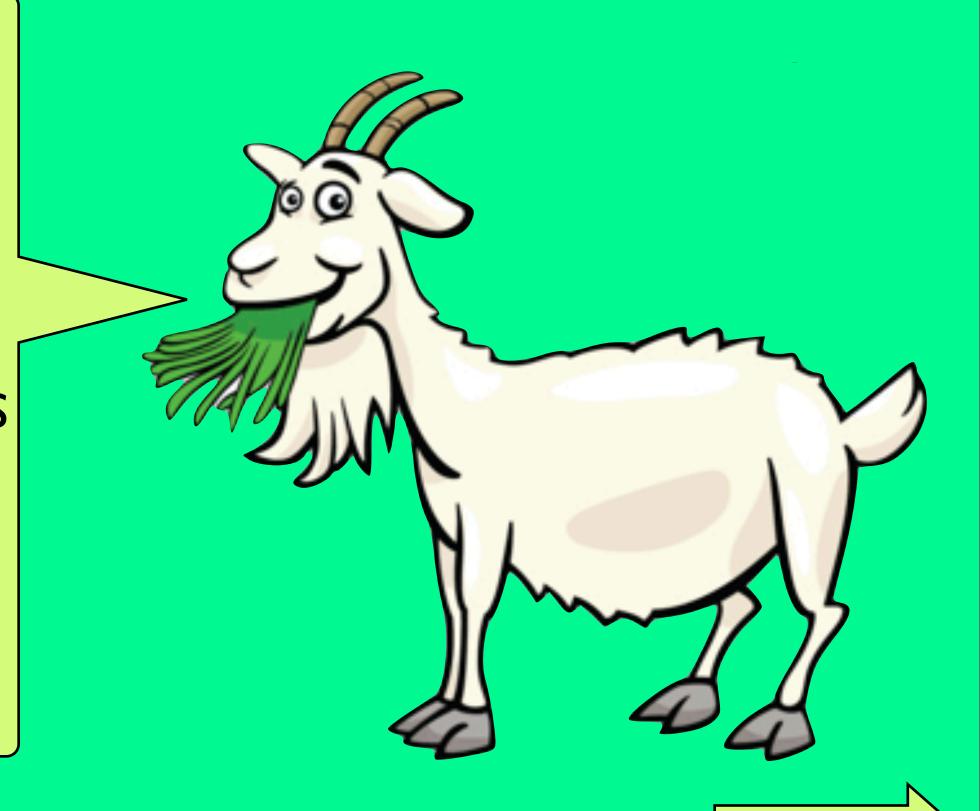
Cheese comes from dairy farms. It is made from the milk produced by cows, sheep or goats.





Well done! Now you know about the different types of farming!

Did you know that even though there are different types of farms. Some farms have a mix of different types of farming. Dairy farmers often grow crops to feed their animals in the winter while some arable farmers will keep livestock as well.



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Have a look at the photos of different farm animals on the next slides. Can you spot the animal that doesn't belong on the farm?

