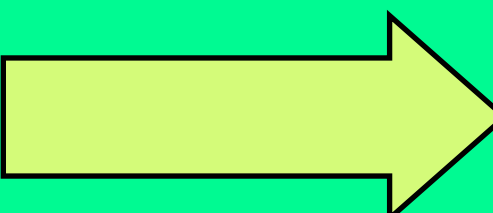


# At the Farm

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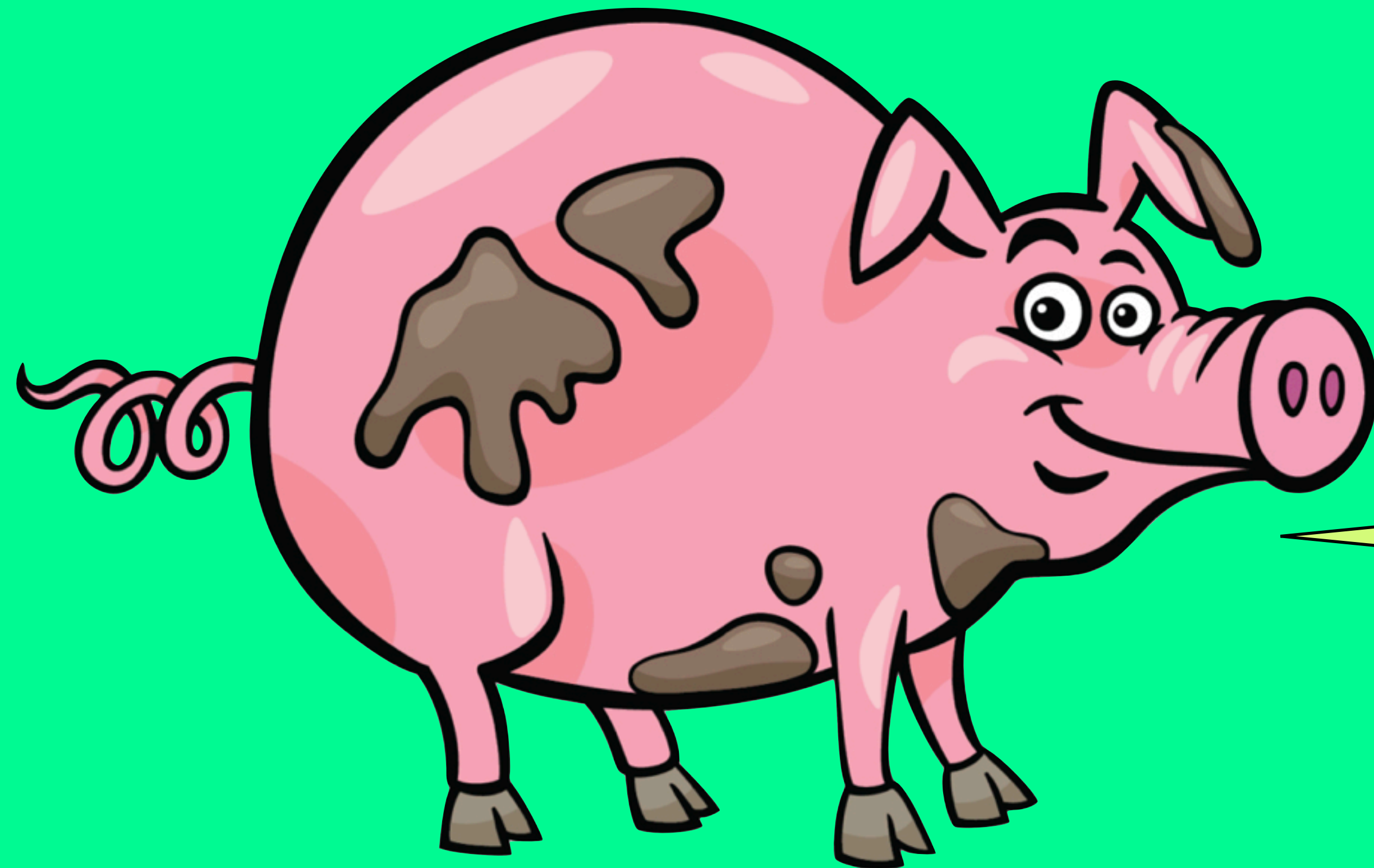
Exploring the features of a farm.





Hello! My name is Phil and I am a farmer. I run a dairy farm but we also keep chickens, cows, pigs and a few horses. We grow some crops too. The name of my farm is Fairview Farm.

Where do you think Fairview Farm would be?



Do you think it would be in the countryside or in a town? Why?



Farms need lots of space so they are in the countryside. Towns are too busy and crowded. Farms are usually surrounded by fields which the farmers use to grow crops or to let the animals graze in.



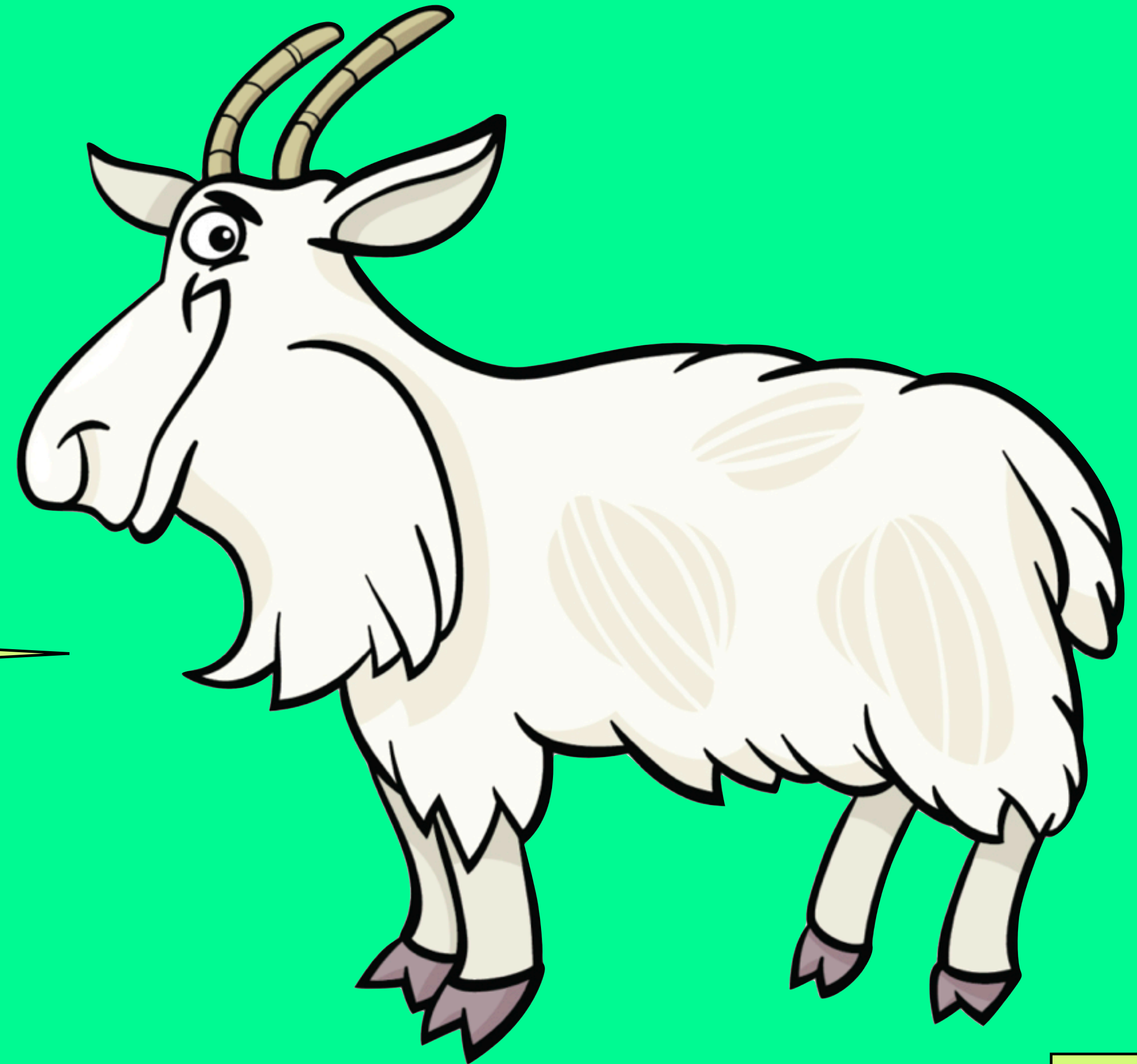
Towns and cities have buildings that are very close together so there isn't any space to grow crops or keep animals.



As well as open land for growing crops and keeping animals, lots of buildings are needed on farms.

What kind of buildings would you expect to find on a farm?

What would the buildings be used for?





Have a look at a picture of Fairview Farm that was taken from the sky. It is called an aerial photo. What can you see?











One of the main buildings is the cow barn. This is where the cows are  
milked.



This is the hen house. The chickens lay their eggs in the hen house and can roam around outside during the day.





The pigs live in the pig sty. This picture shows a sow with her piglets.







As well as homes for the animals, the farm also has the farmhouse for the farmer and his family. The kitchen is an important room in the farmhouse because it is where a lot of the produce sold in the farm shop is made.



The farm shop sells produce created on the farm to local people. This can include vegetables, fruits and eggs, as well as things like cakes, jams and breads that the farmer's wife makes.





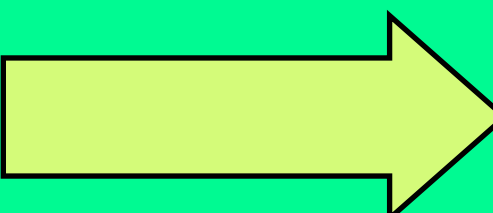
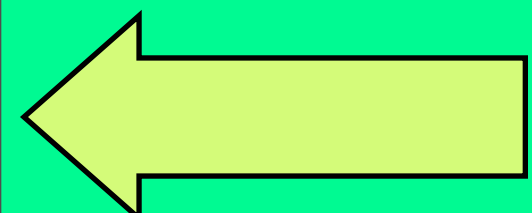
Another important building is the office. Running a farm is a business and this is where the farmer sorts out all his administration, such as organising deliveries, selling his produce and sorting his accounts.







There are several barns on the farm which are used for storing things like hay and machinery.





As well as buildings, the farm has lots of fields where the animals can graze.





There are also fields where crops can be grown and orchards for fruit trees.







What do you think of my farm?

What would you most like to see or do on my farm? Why?