Old MacDonald is a busy farmer! These books and activities will help your child explore just what is going on at his farm. Each book is available online and can be accessed on a computer or device. Bonus points if you have one or two at home! Enrich the experience by doing the activities and singing the songs. Songs without a well-known tune have a link to a video to help.

READ

(Overdrive: You will need a Gretna barcode and your phone number to log in. Please return Overdrive books promptly so others can enjoy them.

Scholastic: If you get a login page for BookFlix, go here and click any book. Then try these links again. They should always work after taking this step once.)

Click Clack Moo, Cows that Type by Doreen Cronin (Scholastic BookFlix)
Let’s Visit a Dairy Farm by Alyse Sweeney (Scholastic BookFlix)
Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter (Storyline Online, Brightly Storytime)
The Jolly Barnyard by Annie North Bedford (Brightly Storytime, Overdrive)
Machines on the Farm by Teddy Borth (Abdo Digital)
Duck on a Bike by David Shannon (Overdrive)
Hurry! Hurry! by Eve Bunting (Overdrive)
What Noise Does a Rabbit Make? by Carrie Watson (Overdrive)

WRITE & TALK

Encourage your child to draw pictures of the animals on a farm. Talk about what products we get from the different animals and find examples around the house. If we don’t get a product from the animal, talk about what kind of use it has.
SING & PLAY

Five Pigs So Squeaky Clean
(to the tune of "Five Green & Speckled Frogs")
Five pigs so squeaky clean
Cleanest you have ever seen
Wanted to go outside and play
Oink! Oink!
One jumped into the mud
Landed with a big thud
Then there were four clean squeaky pigs.
Oink! Oink!
(continue until you have no clean pigs left)

Ah-Choo! Ah-Choo!
Farmer's nose tingles.
Farmer's nose twitches.
And he is going to sneeze!
Ah-choo, ah-choo, ah-choo!
(cow/moo-choo, pig/oink-choo, chicken/bawk-choo)

Old MacDonald Had a Farm
Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O
And on his farm he had a cow, E-I-E-I-O
With a "moo-moo" here and
    a "moo-moo" there
Here a "moo" there a "moo"
Everywhere a "moo-moo"
Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O
(Challenge older children to choose animals in alphabetical order. They don't even have to be farm animals!)

The Cow in the Barn
(to the tune of "Wheels on the Bus")
The cow in the barn goes,
Moo, moo, moo.
Moo, moo, moo.
Moo, moo, moo.
The cow in the barn goes,
Moo, moo, moo.
All around the farm.
—The pig in the pen goes oink, oink, oink...
—The hens in the coop go cluck...
—The lambs on the hill go baa...
—The duck on the pond go quack...
—The dog in the house goes woof, woof, woof...
—The mouse in the hole goes squeak, squeak, squeak...
—The sheep in the barn goes baa, baa, baa...
—The horse in the corral goes neigh, neigh, neigh...