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TEACHER NOTES

Discussion Points

1. Find out what the children already know about Farms. What are they? Where are they? What happens on a farm? Are all farms the same?

2. Find out what the children already know about Farm Safety. For Example: Wear a helmet when riding a motorbike or horse, Look out for farm machinery, Do not swim in the dam do not play in the hay shed etc.

3.Brainstorm possible unsafe situations which may occur on the farm. For example, riding in vehicles without adequate seating (tractors, utes) drowning in lakes/dams, being bitten by dogs, kicked by horses and cows, should you feed all the animals, what wildlife is around that you should be cautious of? (snakes)

4. Discuss the importance of SeeMore Safety's motto. "Think Safe, Play Safe" Reinforce that children always need to listen to the rules or advice given to them by responsible adults, pay attention to signs and think before they act.

5. Discuss the fact that there are many potential dangers on the farm. These include: Heavy machinery, recreational vehicles, quad bikes, motorbikes and cars, unfenced water ie. dams and drinking troughs, potentially dangerous animals and a variety of poisonous materials. Have the children brainstorm some possible dangers they know of at a farm.

6. Discuss risks which may result in unsafe behaviours around the farm.

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Whole Group Activities.

1. Read the book SEEMORE SAFETY ON THE FARM

2. Look at the last page and identify unsafe behaviours and potential hazards.

3. Create a list of rules to change the behaviours of the people in the last page of the big book. (always ride in vehicles with a seatbelt, keep the paths clear, keep an eye on young children, never leave a fire unattended, etc.)

4. Explain how they could prevent some farm accidents from happening. What safety precautions could be taken. ie - Wear a helmet when riding a quad bike or horse, stay away from dams unless you are with an adult, keep paths clear of toys and other things. Ask permission to pat someone's dog, feed animals safely.

5. Discuss if the rules on a farm are any different to the rules around the home, preschool or playground. Reinforce SeeMore Safety's Message of; "Think Safe, Play Safe."

6. Organise an excursion to a farm to see the animals and see the dangers and the precautions first hand animals. Or arrange a mobile petting zoo to come to the preschool for some hands on fun

7. Re-create a farmyard using either children's toys or roleplay the book with the children. Narrate SeeMore Safety on the farm as SeeMore walks through the farm.

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Small Group Activities:

1. Create an area in class to build a farm situation using toys where children can play in a farm environment

- 2. Role play how to feed a sheep
- 3. Learn and recite the poem on the back of the book. Do it as a rap or song - perform as a group or individuals.

Individual Activities:

Activity Sheet 1:

Colour in the farmyard image from the big book, identify and circle the unsafe practices on the farm

Activity Sheet 2

Draw your own farm animals in a farmyard. Use animals from Activity sheet 4 to colour and cut out farm animals to create a farm collage

Activity Sheet 3

Colour SeeMore safety Farm Signs and display around the class or farm scene created in small group activity.

Activity Sheet 4

Print two sets of the images of animals out onto card and play memory with a friend.

Activity 5

Use jigsaw puzzles which feature farms or farm animals to further develop fine motor skills.

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Additional Resources:

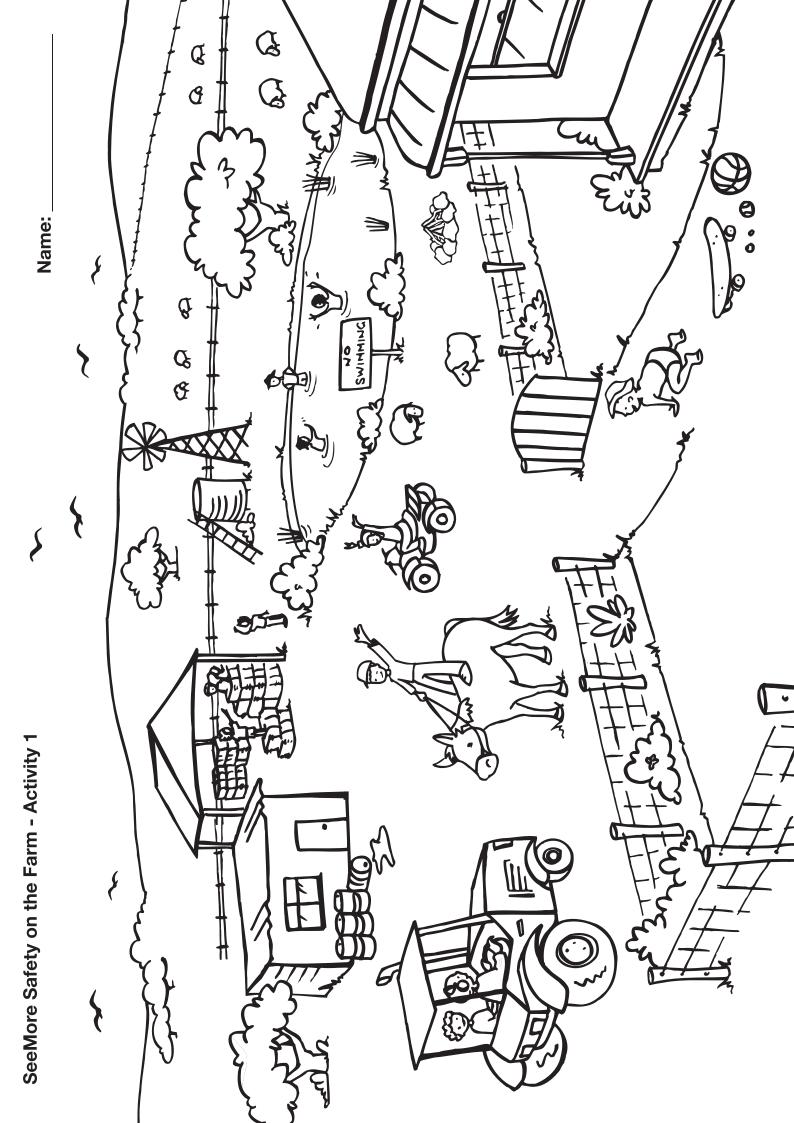
Farm Safe Australia http://www.farmsafe.org.au/Children-On-Farms

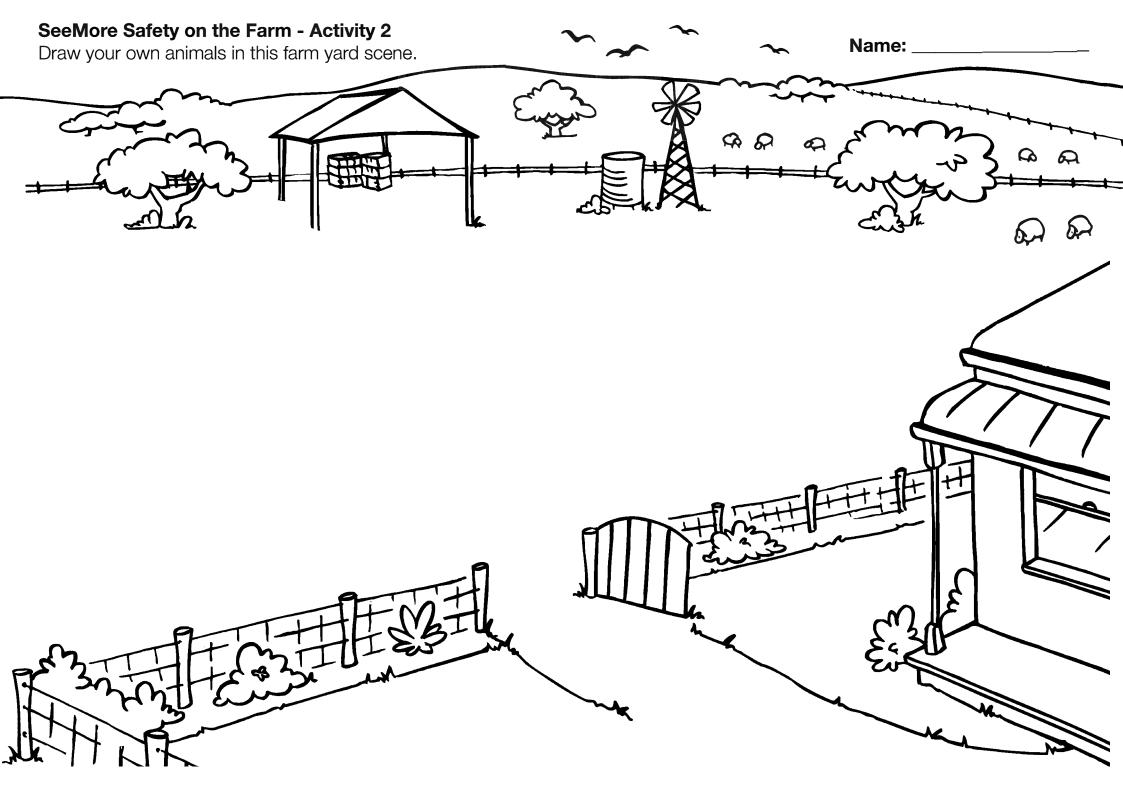
About the Farm Safe initiative

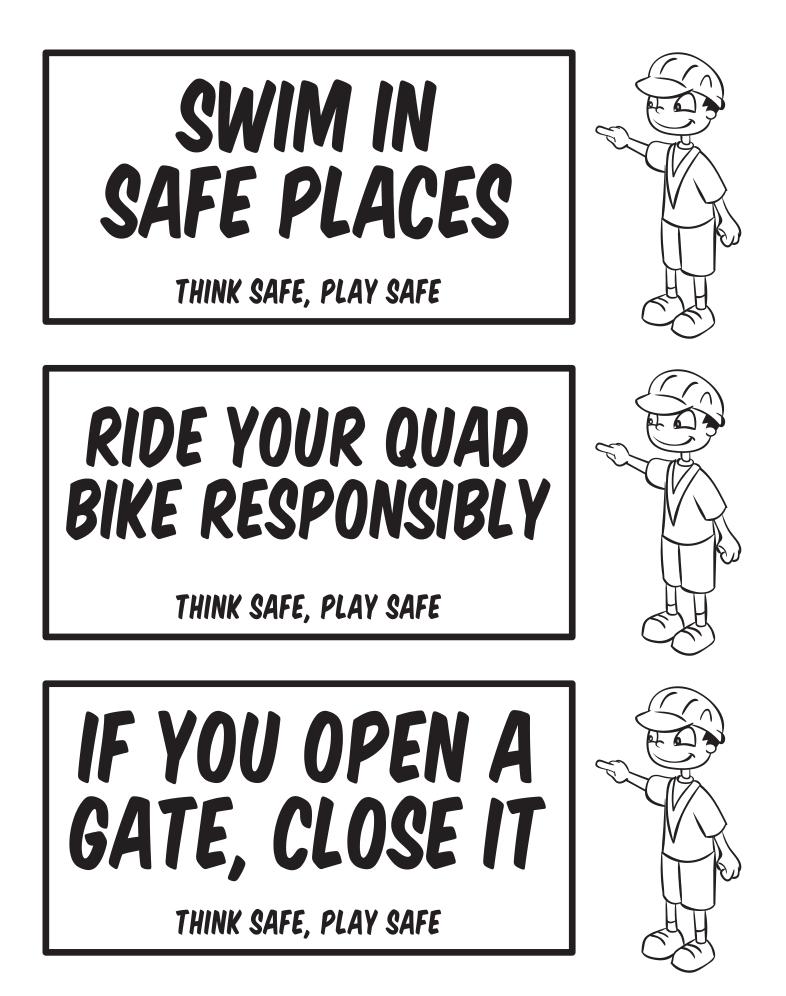
Farmsafe Australia is the umbrella entity for agencies that share a common interest in agricultural health and safety. Farmsafe Australia is a not-forprofit organisation that

aids in the coordination of efforts to address farm safety issues in Australia.

The Farmsafe Australia network grew out the establishment of a number of locally based farm safety action groups and state Farmsafe Committees in the late 1980's. Local Farm Safety Action Groups continue to be active in a number of states, and are the basis of strong local campaigns aimed at improving farm health and safety in rural communities.







SeeMore Safety on the Farm - Activity 3 SeeMore Safety Signs. Create your own safety sign in the space below. Name: _____



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SeeMore Safety on the Farm - Activity 4 Cut and colour in the animals to create your own farm memory game.

