

Farm animal observation

Welfare detective



Behaviour spotting: Visit a place with farmed animals and spend some time watching the animals.

Animals I saw today: _____

Tick the behaviours you spot:

- ☐ Standing
- ☐ Walking around
- ☐ Drinking
- ☐ Eating / Grazing
- ☐ Jumping / Running freely
- ☐ Grooming themselves or another animal
- ☐ Vocalisation (making noises)
- ☐ Resting alone or next to a friend
- ☐ Investigating alone or with another animal
- ☐ Playing with an enrichment item or another animal

Other _____



**HELPFUL
TIPS**

Try to be quiet and patient.

You might see more behaviours if you take your time!

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Welfare detectives look for things in the animal's home that help them stay healthy, comfortable, and able to behave naturally.



Can you spot something in the animal's space that helps them have a good life?

What to do:



Draw or take a photo of **two** things you find.



Then explain how they help the animals.



Use the clues below to help you look!



Nutrition

Food and water

Look for things like...

Grass or hay
Food bowls or feeders
Fresh water
Food enrichment device



Environment

Safe and comfortable

Look for things like...

Access to fresh air and natural light
Trees or roofs for shade or shelter
Dry bedding material to sleep or rest
Places to hide



Behaviour

Things they like to do

Look for things like...

Mud to roll in or dust to bathe in
Brushes or scratching posts
Climbing structures
Space with grass to graze or explore



Health

Things keeping them healthy

Look for things like...

Clean and dry bedding
Clean water and food bowls
Space to move around
Areas to scratch themselves

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Draw or stick photos of **two** items you found in the box below.

How do the items help the animals?

