Down on the Farm

Songs, poems and Fingerplays
Lucky Duck

Oh it was a bit of luck.
That I was born a baby duck.
With yellow socks and yellow shoes.
That I may go wherever I choose.
Quack, quack, quack, quack
Farm Sounds
(Sung to: "The Wheels on the Bus")

The cows in the barn go moo, moo, moo,
Moo, moo, moo, moo, moo, moo, moo.
The cows in the barn go moo, moo, moo
All around the farm.

Additional verses:
The pigs in the pen go oink, oink, oink;
The hens in the coop go cluck, cluck, cluck;
The rooster on the fence goes cock-a-doodle-do;
The ducks on the pond go quack, quack, quack;
The lambs on the hill go baa, baa, baa;
The bunnies in the hutch go;
(Silently wiggle nose with finger).
Making the Hay

Three little people;
Out in the hay.
Tumbling and tossing it.
Every which way!
Working so merrily
In the bright sun.
Helping the farmers - - Isn’t it fun?

Three little people;
Oh, how they keep,
Burying each other;
Ever so deep!
But if the little ones;
All were to play.
When would the farmers - -
Get their hay?
This little Piggy

This little piggy went to the market;
This little piggy stayed home.
This little piggy had roast beet;
This little piggy had none.
And this little piggy said,
Wee, wee, wee, all the way home.

Little Boy Blue

Little Boy Blue, come blow your horn.
The sheep's in the meadow,
the cow's in the corn.
Where is the boy that looks after the sheep?
"He's under the haycock, fast asleep."
Will you wake him? "No, not I;
For if I do, he'll be sure to cry."
Farm Counting Poem

One, two,
Cows moo.
Three, four,
Sheep snore.
Five, six,
Pig tricks.
Seven, eight,
Horse gate.
Nine, ten,
A big fat hen.
Farm Alphabet

A is for the apples that grow on trees.
B is for the barn where animals live.
   C is for the cow that gives milk.
D is for the dog that guards the sheep.
E is for the eggs we eat for breakfast.
F is for the farmer who works on the farm
G is for the garden where food is grown.
H is for the horses and the hay they eat.
I is for the ice cream that is made from milk.
   J is for the jelly that we eat on toast.
K is for the kids which are baby goats.
L is for the lambs that supply us with fleece.
   M is for the milk that we like to drink.
N is for the nest in which eggs are laid.
O is for the overalls that some farmers wear.
   P is for the pigs that cool off in the mud.
   Q is for the quilts that keep us warm.
R is for the rooster who crows in the morning.
   S is for the silo where silage is kept.
T is for the turkey we eat at Thanksgiving.
   U is for the udder that you find on a cow.
   V is for the vines where pumpkins grow.
W is for the wool that we get from sheep.
X is for X-mas-tree farms where we buy Christmas trees.
   Y is for the yarn that is made from fleece.
   Z is for the zinnia, a flower that's nice.
The Chickens

Said the first little chicken,
With a strange little squirm,
"I wish I could find
A fat little worm."

Said the next little chicken,
With an odd little shrug:
"I wish I could find
A fat little bug."

Said a third little chicken,
With a small sigh of grief,
"I wish I could find
A green little leaf!"

Said the fourth little chicken,
With a faint little moan,
"I wish I could find
A wee gravel stone."

"Now, see here!" said the mother,
From the green garden patch,
"If you want any breakfast,
Just come here and scratch!"
Five Friendly Farmers

Five friendly farmers
Wake up with the sun,
For it is early morning
And the chores must be done.

The first friendly farmer
Goes to milk the cow.
The second friendly farmer
Thought he'd better plow.

The third friendly farmer
feeds the hungry hens.
The fourth friendly farmer,
Puts the piggies in their pens.

The fifth friendly farmer
Picks the ripe corn.
And waves to the neighbor,
When he blows his horn.

When the work is finished
And the evening sky is red
Five tired farmers
Tumble into bed!
This Little Cow

This little cow eats grass.
(hold up one hand, fingers erect, bend down one finger)
This little cow eats hay.
(bend down another finger)
This little cow drinks water.
(bend down another finger)
And this little cow does nothing.
(bend down another finger)
But lie and sleep all day.
Here is the Barn

Here is the barn
(form a roof shape with your hands)
Where I like to go (Walk in place)
It's as tall as a tree (Point up overhead)
And cozy, you know (Hug body with arms)
Here is the barn,
(make a roof shape with your hands)
I'll go there with you (Walk in place)
To pet a sweet lamb (Pretend to pet a lamb)
And cuddle it, too! (Pretend to hug a lamb)
On a Farm
(Sung to: "London Bridge is Falling Down")

Animals live on a farm, on a farm, on a farm. Animals live on a farm, with the farmer. Cows and pigs live on a farm, on a farm, on a farm. Cows and pigs live on a farm, with the farmer. Goats and sheep live on a farm, on a farm, on a farm. Goats and sheep live on a farm, with the farmer. Hens and chicks live on a farm, on a farm, on a farm. Hens and chicks live on a farm, with the farmer.
The Farmer

Sun is coming up
Farmer's out the door,
He will go to milk the cows,
And start his daily chores.

Sun is going down
Horse is in the stable,
All the fields are planted now,
Supper's on the table.
I like Baby Animals
(Sung to: "London Bridge")

I like baby animals,
Animals, animals.
I like baby animals,
I'll name some for you.

Kittens, puppies, chicks and foals,
Chicks and foals, chicks and foals.
Kittens, puppies, chicks and foals,
I can name some more.

Goslings, ducklings, lambs and calves,
Lambs and calves, lambs and calves.
Goslings, ducklings, lambs and calves,
I like baby animals.
In the farmyard at the end of the day,
Listen to what the animals say.
The cow says, “Moo.”
The pigeon “Coo.”
The sheep says, “Baa.”
The hen “clucks.”
“Quack,” says the duck.
The dog, “Bow-Wow,”
The cat, “Meow.”
The horse, “Neigh,”
Then the farmer says, “GOODNIGHT.”
Ten Little Piggy’s
(Sung to: Five Little Ducks Went Out to Play”)

Ten little piggy’s rolled in the mud –
Squishy, Squashy, Squishy, Squashy – Oh what fun!
The farmer took one little piggy out.
“Oink, Oink, Oink.” The piggy did shout!

Continue with nine, eight, seven, etc,
Then...

No little piggy’s rolled in the mud.
They all looked so clean and so good.
The farmer turned his back and then,
Those little piggy’s rolled in the mud again!
Ten Little Piggy's

- Use the following sheet for Ten Little Piggy’s flannel story.
- Print up 5 copies on white card stock. (To create the 10 piggy’s).
- Trim and laminate for more durability.
- Use Velcro (rough side), and attach to the back of each pig.
- Place the piggy's on the flannel board. Sing "Ten Little Piggy's" song and remove pigs as you sing the song.
To The Farm
(Sung to: “Twinkle, Twinkle”)

Chicken, kittens, piglets too,
Donkeys, horses, cows that moo.
Fish that swim down in the pond,
Ducklings quacking all day long.
All these things you can see
if you go to the farm with me!
Take Me Out to the Barnyard
(Sung to: “Take Me Out To The Ball Game”)

Take me out to the barnyard
Take me out there right now
Show me the cows, pigs and horses too.
I hear an oink and a neigh and a moo
There are chickens laying their eggs
If they don't lay, it's a shame
Oh, it's one, two, three eggs today,
And I'm glad I came.
Five Little Ducks

Five little ducks went in for a swim.
(Hold up hand, extend fingers.)
The first little duck put his head in.
(Point to each finger in turn.)
The second little duck put his head back.
The third little duck said, "Quack, quack, quack."
The fourth little duck with his tiny brother,
Went for a walk with his father and mother.
("Walk" fingers up opposite arm.)
Tractor Song
(Sung To: “Wheels on the Bus”)

The wheels on the tractor go round and round
round and round
round and round
The wheels on the tractor go round and round
All around the farm.

The tractor in the field goes back and forth
back and forth
back and forth
The tractor in the field goes back and forth
All around the farm

The tractor in the field works all day
works all day
works all day
The tractor in the field works all day
All around the farm
Ten Little Turkeys

10 little turkeys sat in their pen
"Hide, turkeys, hide!" said the little red hen.
One little turkey flew far away
But the other ...(9) decided to stay!

9 little turkeys sat in their pen
"Hide, turkeys, hide!" said the little red hen.
One little turkey flew out of the gate,
And when he was gone, there were...(8).

8 little turkeys sat in their pen.
"Hide, turkeys, hide!" said the little red hen.
One little turkey flew far away
But the other ...(7) decided to stay.

7 little turkeys sat in their pen.
"Hide, turkeys, hide!" said the little red hen.
One little turkey hid with the chicks,
And when she was gone, there were...(6).

6 little turkeys sat in their pen.
"Hide, turkeys, hide!" said the little red hen.
One little turkey flew far away
But the other ...(5) decided to stay.

5 little turkeys sat in their pen.
"Hide, turkeys, hide!" said the little red hen.
One little turkey hopped out the door,
And when he was gone, there were (4).

4 little turkeys sat in their pen.
"Hide, turkeys, hide!" said the little red hen.
One little turkey flew far away
But the other ...(3) decided to stay.

3 little turkeys sat in their pen.
"Hide, turkeys, hide!" said the little red hen.
One little turkey flapped her wings and flew.
And when she was gone, there were ,,,(2).

2 little turkeys sat in their pen.
"Hide, turkeys, hide!" said the little red hen.
One little turkey flew far away.
But the last ...(1) decided to stay.

1 little turkey sat in his pen.
"Hide, turkey, hide!" said the little red hen.
The last little turkey flew off toward the sun
And when he was gone, there were ...(none).
Five and five eggs
(Hold up hands)
That makes ten
Sitting on top is mother hen
(Fold one hand over the other)
Crackle, crackle, crackle
(Clap hands three times)

What do I see
(Fingers around eyes)
Ten fluffy chickens
As yellow as can be
(Hold up ten fingers.)
I Had A Little Rooster

I had a little rooster by the old barn gate
And that little rooster was my playmate
And that little rooster went cock-a-doodle-do
Dee-doodley-doodley-doodley-do
(substitute other animals)
Little Worm
(Sung To: "Farmer In The Dell")

Oh wiggle, little worms
And help our garden grow
By Mixing all the soil around
While digging down the row.
Farm Chores

Five little farmers woke up with the sun.
(hold up hand)
It was early morning and the chores must be done.
The first little farmer went out to milk the cow.
(hold up thumb)
The second little farmer thought he'd better plow.
(hold up index finger)
The third little farmer cultivated weeds.
(hold up middle finger)
The fourth little farmer planted more seed.
(hold up fourth finger)
The fifth little farmer drove his tractor round.
(hold up last finger)
Five little farmers, the best that can be found.
(hold up hand)
I'm a Little Piggy
(Sung to: "I'm a little Teapot")

I'm a little piggy
Short and stout
Here are my ears
Here is my snout
When I see the
Farmer in the dell,
I oink, oink, oink
and wiggle my tail.
Eight Baby Pigs

Two mother pigs lived in a pen (thumbs)
Each had four babies and that made ten
(fingers of both hands)
These four babies were black and white
(fingers of one hand)
These four babies were black as night
(fingers of the other hand)
All eight babies loved to play (wiggle fingers)
As they rolled and rolled in the mud all day!
(roll hands)

P-I-G-G-Y
(Sung to: "Bingo")

There was a hungry little hog,
And Piggy was his name-o.
And Piggy was his name-o!
Who Are The Animals
(Sung to: " Skip to my Lou")

Who are the animals that live on the farm
Who are the animals that live on the farm
Who are the animals that live on the farm
Let us learn their names.

The duck is an animal that lives on the farm. The duck is an animal that lives on the farm. The duck is an animal that lives on the farm. Now we learned her name.

And so on........
Shovels, Rakes & Even Hoes
(Sung to: "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star")

Shovels, rakes, and even hoes
Help the farmer as he sows.
First, he digs into the ground;
Then he plants some seeds around.
Shovels, rakes, and even hoes
Help the farmer as he sows.
Tractors, Tractors
(Sung to: "Daisy, Daisy")

Tractors, tractors, tractors help farmers work.
They pull plows that break up the clumps of dirt.
The farmer can work much faster
Because he has a tractor.
There's lots to do the whole year through.
Tractors help farmers do the work.
This Little Cow

This little cow eats grass.
(hold up one hand, fingers erect, bend down one finger)
This little cow eats hay.
(bend down another finger)
This little cow drinks water.
(bend down another finger)
And this little cow does nothing.
(Bend down another finger)
But lie and sleep all day.
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(thumbs)
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(fingers of both hands)
These four babies were black and white.
(fingers of one hand)
These four babies were black as night
(fingers on other hand)
All eight babies loved to play
(wiggle fingers)
And they rolled around in the mud all day!
(roll hands)
The Pigs Go Marching
(Sung to: "The Ants Go Marching One by One")

The pigs go marching one by one.
Oink-oink! Oink-oink!
The pigs go marching one by one.
Oink-oink! Oink-oink!
The pigs go marching one by one.
The little one stopped to eat a bun
And they go all marching around their pen
And they want to march again;
Oink, oink, oink!
Animal Sounds
(Sung to: “Mary Had a Little Lamb”)

Mary had a little hen,
Little hen, little hen.
Mary had a little hen,
The hen said, “Cluck, cluck, cluck.

Repeat – naming other animals and their sounds.
All Around the Barnyard
(Sung to: “Pop Goes the Weasel”)

All around the barnyard.
The animals are asleep.
The cows and horses, pigs and sheep.
Shhhhh, don’t make a peep.

Here comes the rooster, bold and proud.
To sound his daily alarm,
Cock-a-doodle-doodle-do.
Cock-a-doodle-do.
When a Yellow Duck

When a yellow duck walks down the street.
(Hold up hand)

Quack! Goes his bill.
(Open and close thumb and index finger.)

Waddle! Go his feet.
(Waddle hand back and forth.)

He comes to a puddle and with a bound,
(Form a circle with opposite arm).

In goes the yellow duck and swims around.
(Jump hand into circle and move it around).
Farmyard

Little hen
feathered and red
pecking round for scraps of bread.

Little goat
fierce and white
thinks his rope is much too tight.

Little calf
soft and shy
peeking out with one brown eye.

Little cat
black and lean
crouching so he won't be seen.

Little pig
muddy and stout
trying hard to wriggle out.
Farmer McDonald

Old McDonald had a goat,
It ate his winter overcoat.

Old McDonald had a sheep,
It ate his big, red, four-wheeled jeep.

Old McDonald had a cat,
It ate his furry, winter hat.

Old McDonald had a goose,
It ate his can of apple juice.

Old McDonald had a duck,
It ate his new, green, pick-up truck.

Old McDonald had a cow,
It ate ten bags of puppy chow.

Old McDonald had a horse,
It ate his rubber boots, of course.

Old McDonald had a pig,
It ate his sister's brand-new wig.

Old McDonald had a dog,
It ate the farmer's catalogue.