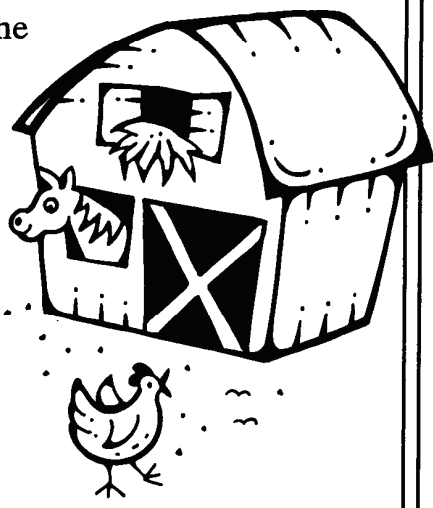


Dear Family,

This week _____ will learn about the country. Using the topic "Country Life," we will read stories about rural areas and farms, and what it is like to live there. You can help your child learn more by talking with her/him about the things he/she is doing at school and the new letters and words that he/she is learning. Here are some ways that you can work with your child at home.



**Think
Talk &**

What kinds of animals live on farms?
What sounds do these animals make?
Why do you like (horses) so much?

Home Activities



Country Poster

Collect *Cc* from newspaper and magazine headlines with your child. Write *Country* on drawing paper. Find pictures of farm animals whose names begin with *c*, such as cows. Help your child glue the animal pictures and letters *Cc* on the drawing paper to make a poster.

Country Books

Your child will listen to a story titled "The Billy Goat in the Garden." Ask him/her to tell about the naughty billy goat. Read other books about farm animals with your child.

What I Learned

Here is a note from your child and her/his teacher.



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Dear Family,

This week _____ will learn about the city. Using the topic “The Busy, Busy City,” we will read stories about what it is like to live in the city and how people get around there. You can help your child learn more by talking with her/him about the things he/she is doing at school and the new letters and words that he/she is learning. Here are some ways that you can work with your child at home.



**Think
Talk &**

What did you learn about the city today?
What do you think it is like to ride in a subway?
What other ways do people get around in a city?

Home Activities



Qq Hunt

Look at magazine and newspaper headlines with your child. Circle the words that begin with capital *Q* and small *q*. Count the number of letters you find.

City Books

Children will listen to a story titled “City Mouse and Country Mouse” this week. Ask your child to tell what happens when the country mouse visits the city. Read other books about the city with your child. Discuss what your child sees in the illustrations.

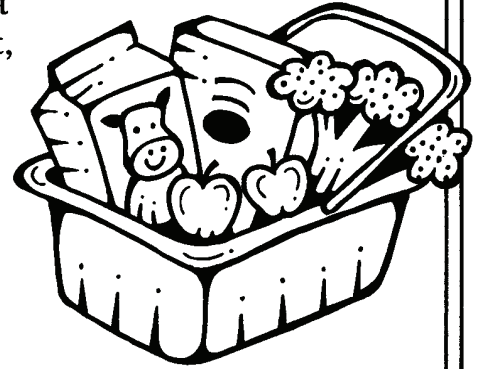
What I Learned

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Dear Family,

This week _____ will learn about buying and selling things. Using the topic "To Market, To Market," we will talk about the different things people buy and sell. You can help your child learn more by talking with her/him about the things he/she is doing at school and the new letters and words that he/she is learning. Here are some ways that you can work with your child at home.



Think & Talk

- What did you read today?
- What was the story about?
- What can you make with apples?
- What can you do with the things you make?

Home Activities



Vv Van

Draw the outline of a van on a piece of paper. Help your child find Vs in magazine and newspaper headlines. Circle the letters and cut them out. Help your child paste the letters on the van.

Reading Together

Children will listen to a story titled "The Apple Dumpling." Ask your child to name things the old woman in the story trades to get apples to make the dumpling. Read other stories about buying and selling things with your child.

What I Learned

Here is a note from your child and her/his teacher.