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FAIR!**

# Scavenger Hunt

Can you find the following items?

One animal you've never seen before: \_\_\_\_\_

Something that makes a loud noise: \_\_\_\_\_

Something soft: \_\_\_\_\_

Something green: \_\_\_\_\_

Something funny: \_\_\_\_\_

Something that won a ribbon: \_\_\_\_\_

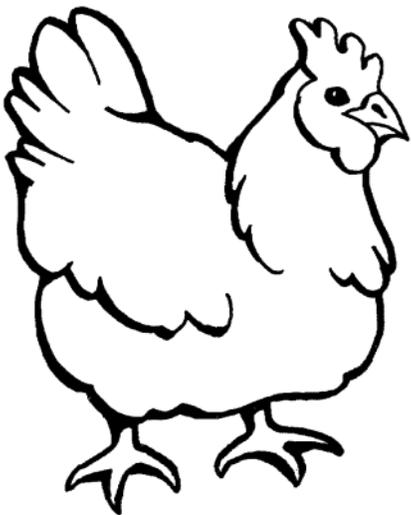
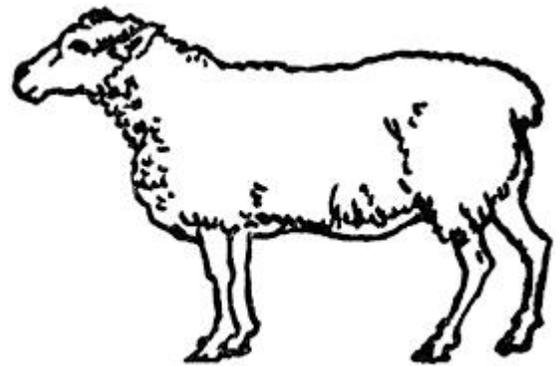
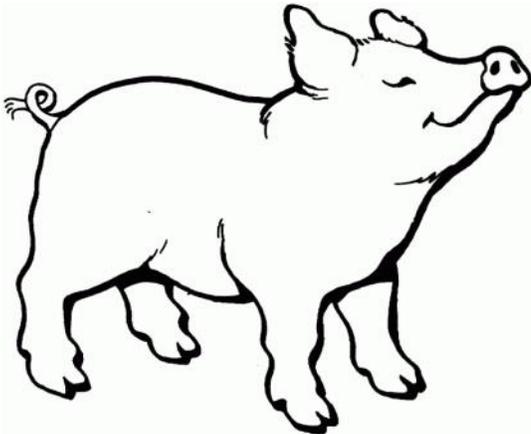
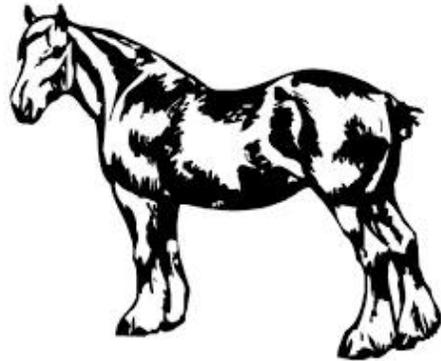
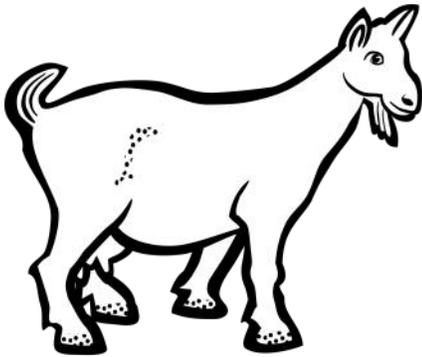
Something HUGE!: \_\_\_\_\_

Something to eat: \_\_\_\_\_

Something fast: \_\_\_\_\_

Something you want to try: \_\_\_\_\_

# Animal Match



## Word Bank

Sheep Chicken Pig

Goat Horse

# Agriculture Facts

## Agriculture matters!

**If you like to eat, Massachusetts agriculture is important to you. But agriculture is about so much more than food--our farmers produce fiber, ornamental plants and wood products, and we're home to a thriving equine industry.**

### Did you know that...

- **Massachusetts ranks 3rd in the U.S. for farmland value at \$10,430 per acre, over four times the national average of \$2,487.**
- **Massachusetts is the 8th most forested state in the U.S. with 62% of land classified as forested.**
- **The average farm operator has been on the same farm for 21 years and is 58 years old.**
- **Female farm operators account for 33% (2,507) of the farm operators in Massachusetts...nearly double the 2002 census of 1,305.**
- **There are 198 organic farms in Massachusetts and organic sales were up to \$26.2 million in 2012 from \$17.5 million in 2007.**

## **Massachusetts Farm Bureau's Story**

**The Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF) is the Commonwealth's largest farm organization with membership that represents farms of all shapes and sizes throughout Massachusetts. We are "The Voice of Agriculture" in Massachusetts.**

**Farm Bureau is an independent, non-governmental grassroots organization that analyzes problems and formulates action to achieve educational improvement, economic opportunity, and social advancement and thereby to promote the national well-being.**

**As the agriculture industry faces new challenges in the future, Farm Bureau will be there to assist our members in tackling those challenges. We will be involved in advocating on county, state and national issues. MFBF has a solid record for positive action on issues that concern all landowners in Massachusetts, including protecting the environment, private property rights, a safe food supply, affordable taxes and preserving open space and working landscapes in your community.**

**You Saw Agriculture today -- Now you can SUPPORT it!**

**You don't have to be a farmer to support your local farmer by joining Farm Bureau! For just \$25 you'll help farmers have a unified voice to develop policies across town lines; have access to information on all the latest trends in agriculture and issues that challenge local farms; and you'll receive a membership card that doubles as an *Access* benefit card when activated for savings at more than 175,000 vendors.**

**Please become a Friend of Local Farmers online, today: <http://friendoflocalfarmers.net/farmersmarket/>.**

**Have a question? Email us at [info@mfbf.net](mailto:info@mfbf.net).**