A BARNBUDDY PICTURE BOOK

BarnBuddy and the Great Farm Mix Up

An Acres of Honey Farm Adventure



TITLE PAGE

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Every animal has a story.

Picture book manuscript for ages 4 to 8
Kentucky farm setting
Approximately 1,150 story words

PAGES 4 AND 5



Morning stretched across Acres of Honey Farm in ribbons of gold.
Roosters crowed. Goats bounced. Bees buzzed from flower to flower.
And somewhere—where no piglet was supposed to be—something went…
OINK!

PAGES 6 AND 7



Maggie hurried into her overalls and raced downstairs.
Today was the county fair livestock show, and Pickles had to be ready before breakfast.
Pickles was the smallest pig on the farm.
He was also the fastest.
And the sneakiest.
This morning, he was missing.

PAGES 8 AND 9



“Grandpa!” Maggie called. “Pickles is gone!”
Grandpa stepped out of the feed room carrying two buckets and one worried frown.
“Then we had better think like a pig,” he said.
Maggie opened BarnBuddy. Pickles’s morning checklist glowed on the screen: fresh water, breakfast, brushing, and one last practice walk.

PAGES 10 AND 11



Maggie tapped Pickles's latest picture.
There he was yesterday, nose pressed against the red pasture gate.
"That is our first clue!" she said.
At the red gate they found three muddy hoofprints, one yellow feather, and a trail of spilled corn.

PAGES 12 AND 13



The trail led straight to Daisy the goat.
Daisy was standing inside the feed bin.
“Maa-aa,” she said with her mouth full.
Maggie checked Daisy’s care note. Daisy needed her morning eye check—but she had not seen Pickles.
She had, however, eaten most of his clue.

PAGES 14 AND 15



Behind the goat barn, Maggie found a curly pink hair caught on the fence.
Near the chicken coop, she discovered a tiny hoofprint in the dust.
Beside the beehives, she heard a rustle.
“Pickles?” Maggie whispered.
Out waddled six ducklings.
Pickles was very good at leaving clues—and even better at not being found.

PAGES 16 AND 17



BarnBuddy chimed.
PICKLES — BREAKFAST DUE.
Maggie filled his blue bowl and shook it gently.
Rattle, rattle, rattle.
From across the yard came a faint reply.
Oink…
Maggie shook the bowl again.
OINK!

PAGES 18 AND 19



The sound came from the old fair wagon.
Maggie pulled back the blanket.
There lay Pickles, asleep in a nest of ribbons, brushes, and clean straw.
One blue bow rested on his head.
Grandpa laughed. “Looks like somebody packed himself for the fair.”

PAGES 20 AND 21



There was no time to waste.
Maggie washed Pickles until his pink coat shone. She brushed him from snout to curly tail.
Then she opened BarnBuddy and checked his show-day record: identification, weight, vaccinations, health notes—complete.
“Good farmers care with their hearts,” Grandpa said, “and keep track with their heads.”

PAGES 22 AND 23



At the county fair, cows mooed in spotless stalls. Chickens clucked in their show cages.
Goats peeked over the rails.
Maggie clipped on Pickles's lead.
"Ears up, feet forward—and please do not eat the judge's ribbon."
Pickles answered with a confident…
OINK!

PAGES 24 AND 25



Into the ring they went.
Pickles walked when Maggie walked.
He turned when Maggie asked.
He stopped when Maggie stopped.
And, for once, he did not run away.
The judge watched carefully. The crowd grew quiet. Maggie could hear her own heart thumping.

PAGES 26 AND 27



The judge reached for a large blue banner.
"The County Fair Winner is..."
Maggie held her breath.
"PICKLES OF ACRES OF HONEY FARM!"
The arena erupted in cheers. Grandpa tossed his hat into the air. Even the goats bleated as if they understood every word.

PAGES 28 AND 29



Maggie wrapped her arms around Pickles.
“We did it!”
Pickles looked at the blue banner.
Then he looked at Maggie.
Then he tried to eat the corner of it.
Everyone laughed.

PAGES 30 AND 31



That evening, Maggie added one final note to Pickles's BarnBuddy record:
County Fair Winner.
Favorite reward: apple slices.
Still very sneaky.
She attached a photograph of Pickles wearing his championship banner.

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Every animal was safe. Every chore was finished. Every important memory had a place.
Pickles curled up beside his banner and gave one sleepy little…
Oink.
Tomorrow would bring new chores, new surprises, and probably another Pickles-sized problem.
But Maggie was ready.
Because every animal had a story—and every story had a BarnBuddy.
The End

CHARACTER REFERENCE



Book development guide

Audience and format. Ages 4 to 8. Designed as a 32-page illustrated picture book with approximately 1,150 story words. The existing BarnBuddy coloring calendar remains the separate activity companion.

Visual direction. Use the established BarnBuddy and Cozy Kentucky Farms coloring-calendar world as the companion reference: red barns, rolling Kentucky hills, sunflowers, friendly expressive animals, clean silhouettes, and cheerful seasonal color. Pickles should remain small, bright-eyed, mischievous, and instantly recognizable. BarnBuddy screens should be visually simple and secondary to the human-animal relationship.

Educational approach. The story introduces care routines, health records, identification, teamwork, and responsible observation without turning into a product lesson. Maggie solves the problem; BarnBuddy helps her notice, remember, and prepare.

Brand integration. Use the BarnBuddy name naturally and sparingly. Avoid large sales messages inside the story. Position this storybook as a companion to the existing BarnBuddy and Cozy Kentucky Farms coloring calendar rather than repeating its coloring and activity content.

Award language. The story uses County Fair Winner throughout and avoids organization-specific names or marks.