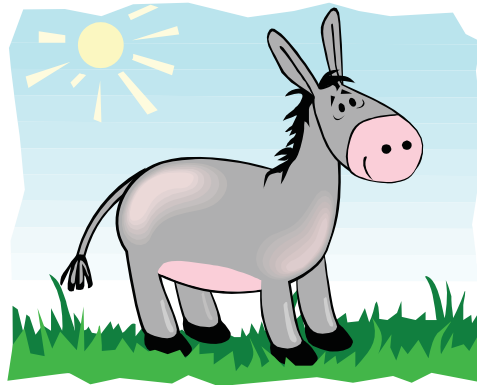


E-snore the lazy donkey

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E-snore was the laziest donkey in all of Farm Land. He lived on Mr Potts' farm, with his friends Mr Pig, Mr Cow, Mr Dog and Miss Cat. His friends spent most of the day eating and playing in the fields, but E-snore liked to sit by his hay stack all day, waiting to be fed carrots and other fruit and vegetables by Mrs Potts. E-snore was very good and ate at least 5 portions of fruit and vegetables everyday. His favourites were carrots, apples and oranges.

Farm Land was one of the biggest farms in the country and had all sorts of animals living there, including cows, pigs, sheep, horses, ducks, chickens, dogs and cats... but only one donkey! When the children from the near by school came to visit the animals at the farm, they all fell in love with E-snore and would stroke his long ears. He really liked

the attention. Even if it did interfere with his sleeping time! Summer was a very lively time at the farm, with all the animals out of their stables and in the fields. E-snore especially liked the summer because the sun would move round to his haystack in the afternoon, and would keep him nice and warm while he slept.

One day, Mr Dog came up to E-snore's hay stack and said "Hello E-snore, will you come and play with us today. It's lovely and sunny?" E-snore thought about this for a while, stretched out, and replied "I am very tired today Mr Dog, so I will need to sleep a while longer". "Alright" said Mr Dog, "we would really like you to play too, but I know how much you need your sleep. I am going to join the others in the field. We are going to play a game of hide and seek, goodbye E-snore". Mr Dog ran off and looked back to see E-snore busily preparing his bed for his next nap.

After a while, E-snore fell asleep, and awoke some time later to hear laughter in the field next to him. E-snore decided to go and see where all the noise was coming from. He came out of his stable and saw all his friends playing, and having a great time. This made E-snore feel quite sad. He wanted to be having a good time too, so he jumped over the fence, and into the field. All his friends were very happy to see that E-snore wanted to join in and play with them. "Thank you for joining us E-snore!" shouted Mr Pig.

The five friends played together all afternoon, and once the sun started to go down, Miss Cats' Mum and Dad called her back home for dinner. The other friends thought they had better get home too, before it got too late and their parents got cross. "Goodnight everyone" called Mr Cow, "Goodnight" shouted E-snore. Mr Dog called after E-snore and said "Will you come back and play with us tomorrow? We really did enjoy your company!". "Oh yes Mr Dog, I would love to play again tomorrow, just as long as I get a good night sleep tonight!" replied E-snore.

E-snore had one of the best days he'd had in a long time, and as he made his way back to his haystack, he thought about how nice it was to get along and play with all his friends. As he washed himself and got ready for bed, E-snore couldn't wait to fall asleep, and as soon as his head touched the hay, he did just that...

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