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Horsin' around on the Farm

Farm work is a lot of hardwork, but it's also a lot of fun. Cows are one of the hardest. You have to wake up early and milk them, maybe milk them in the afternoon like some farms do, and at night, and get to bed in time to wake up early. From what my mom and grandpa always told me that even milking cows 2 times a day is a lot but 3 times a day is way worse than 2. Plus you have to feed grain hay, clean the stalls, bed them down, and take care of the ones that had and are having calves. If you have barn cats you have to get cat food for them and split the milk for them too. With horses, you feed them in the winter before they go out but you don't in the summer. Also, in the summer, you don't have to bring them in. With cows you do all year round. You only have to bring in your horses in the winter. When you bring them in, you feed the grain, maybe beet pulp, and then hay. Sheep are almost like horses but they stay out all summer and stay in all winter. It's hard to keep track of when breeding season is and when lambing season is. If you have sheep, maybe about a month before lambing, start getting things set up as to where you're going to put the ewe's that have lambed. This is difficult because you might say "this is a

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Whatever it is you need to do. Or, look at all your good spots. See what things need to be moved and put up, or if you have things that don't have a space, but need one. You might also need to move your ram or other ewe's, or maybe even the horses, cows, or calves. You also may have no extra room and have to put them with the other ewe's in a little pen. One of the best things about working on the farm is that you get to be around the most amazing and interesting animals on earth from my view. Things you may have trouble with is when you have 3 or more kinds of animals, and 2 pastures like I do, you really have to think about what to do. You can split a pasture, build a new one, or just keep all of them inside or have the animals take turns in a pasture.

When you have a farm, you can't really go any where, or do any thing really. You can't go visit other states or friends and family else where. They will have to come to you. They have to come visit you. You don't have much time to clean up or anything but you at least have some time. The nice

thing about having kids is that you can have help doing chores to get done faster, or make them clean the house while you do chores. Also, if you have more than 1 child, split them up. One stays down to the house with the mom to clean, and help the mom. the other one(s) will be in the barn. If you have 3 kids, I should be in the house and 2 in the barn. If there are 2 in the barn, I will help with chores, and the other will clean up the barn. I love living on a farm, and I hope you do to.