



Recognize the interdependent parts of farms including the soil, water, plants, animals, and people.

Directions

- 1. Read the children a book about farms.
- 2. Provide each child with a pipe cleaner. This will represent the farm.
- 3. Begin with a brown bead to represent the soil.
- 4. Next add a blue bead for the water that both plants and animals rely on.
- 5. Add a black bead to represent animals.
- 6. Add a green bead for plants.
- 7. Add a white bead for air. Point out the cycle as animals exhale carbon dioxide, which plants take in and then give off as oxygen.
- 8. Add a red bead to represent the barn as well as farm machines.
- 9. Lastly, add a clear bead for the people who work on the farm.

Supplies

- Pipe cleaners
- Brown, blue, black, green, white, red, and clear beads
- Farming by Gail Gibbons

Tip: When adding the color beads: Ask children which animals can be raised on farms, what machinery can be found on farms and which crops can be grown on farms.

Suggested Books



