



# The Little Boy's Animals

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Level 1

## Story Description

A boy says hello to his animal neighbours every day, and one day when he gets home from school, he gets a big surprise!

## Pre-Reading Vocabulary and Phonics

Elephant

**el-e-f-unt**

*The **elephant** has a long trunk.*

Sheep

**Sh-ee-p**

*The **sheep**'s fur is wool.*

Barn

**B-ar-n**

*The animals live in the **barn**.*

Forward

**F-or-wood**

*He was really looking **forward** to seeing the animals.*



"Hello, elephant!" said the little boy.

"Hello, little boy!" said the elephant.

"What are you doing today?" said the little boy.

"I'm going to have my bath," said the elephant.



"Good morning, peacock!"  
said the little boy.

"Good morning, little boy!"  
said the peacock. "Where  
are you going?"

"I'm off to school," said the  
little boy.

"Study hard," said the  
peacock.



"Hello, monkey!" said the little boy.

"Hello, little boy!" said the monkey.

"What are you eating?" said the little boy.

"My favourite - a banana!" said the monkey.



"Hey there, frog!" said the little boy.

"Hey there, little boy!" said the frog.

"What are you doing?" said the little boy.

"I'm trying to catch this fly," said the frog.



"Hi, sheep!" said the little boy.

"Hi, little boy!" said the sheep. "You're in a hurry today."

"I need to get to school!" said the little boy. "See you later!"



"Hello there, cow!" said the little boy.

"Hello there, little boy!" said the cow.

"Jingle your bell," said the little boy.

"All right," said the cow.  
"Just for you."



"Good morning, deer!" said the little boy.

"Good morning, little boy!" said the deer.

"What are you doing?" said the little boy.

"I'm out walking, like you!" said the deer.



The little boy went to school, and when he got home, there was a loud banging at the door.

"I wonder who that could be?" he said.



He opened the door and all of the local animals were standing on the porch.

"Mum, can my friends come in to play?" he said.

"It depends how many there are," said his mother. "Are they hungry?"

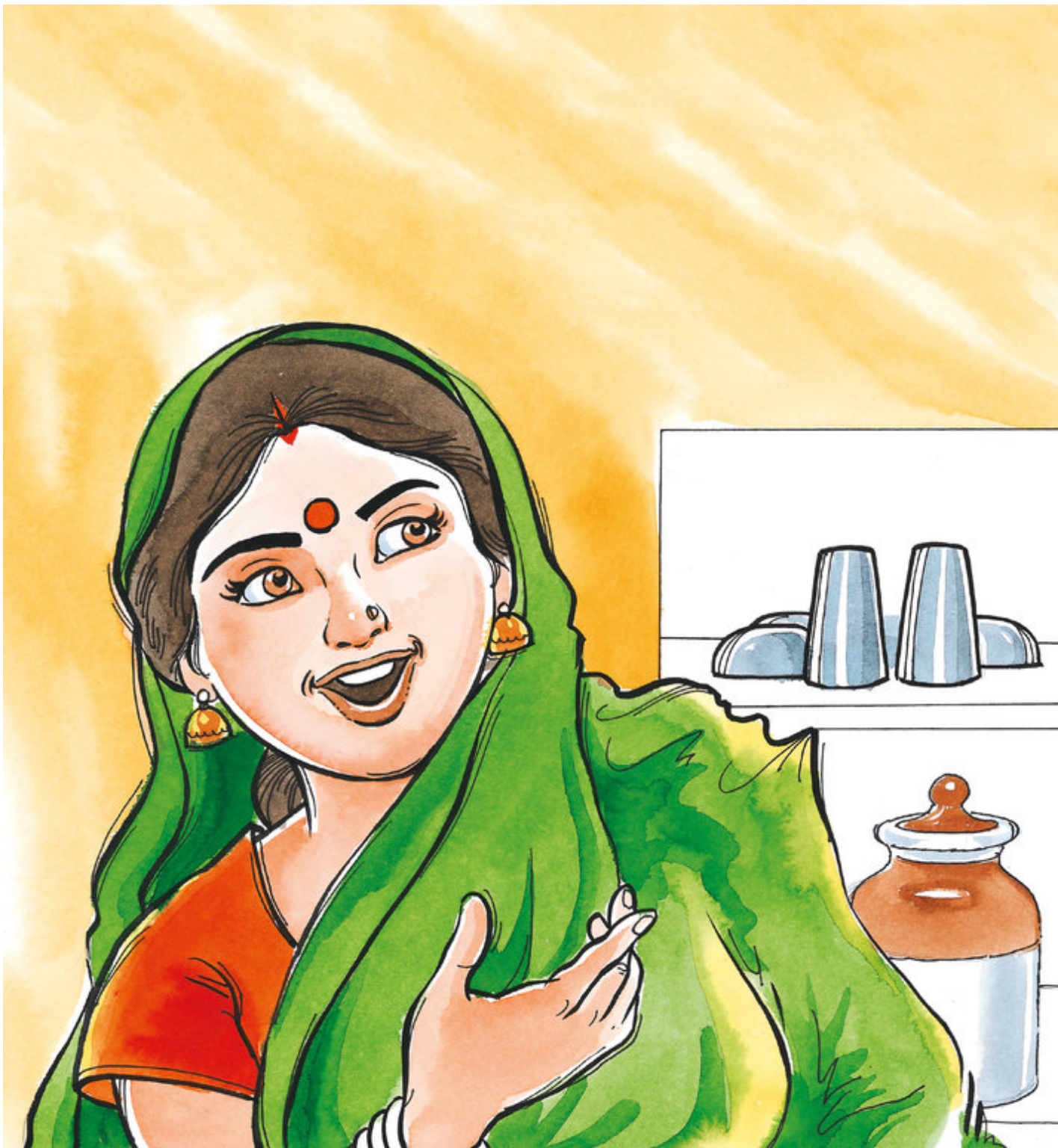


"Are you hungry?" he said to the animals.

"We're very hungry," said the monkey.

"Can you give us something to eat?" said the deer.

"I have eight friends at the door!" the little boy said to his mother. "And they all want something to eat."



"Take them around to the barn," said the little boy's mother.



The animals went to the barn, and the little boy and his mother gave them a big dinner, which they really enjoyed.



The animals thanked the little boy and his mother for the food, and the little boy thanked the animals for their visit.

The animals went home, and the little boy looked forward to seeing them again the next day.

## Post-Reading Questions

H \_ \_ \_ \_ is a greeting word.

Do all of the animals reply to the boy?

Re-read page 11. Ask: *Who was knocking at the door?*

Re-read page 13. Ask: *What did the animals want?*

Re-read page 15. Ask: *Where did the animals eat?*

What kind of animals live near you?

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