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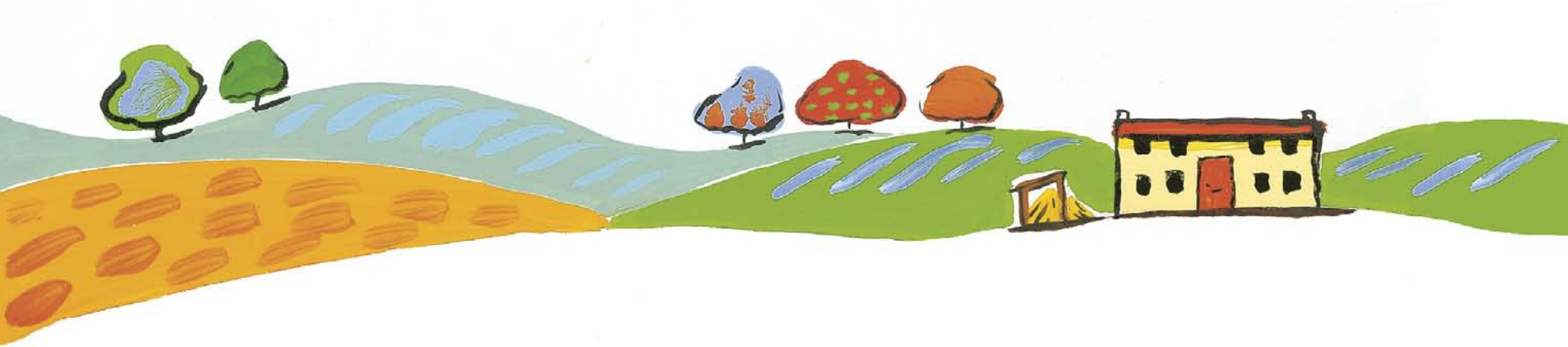


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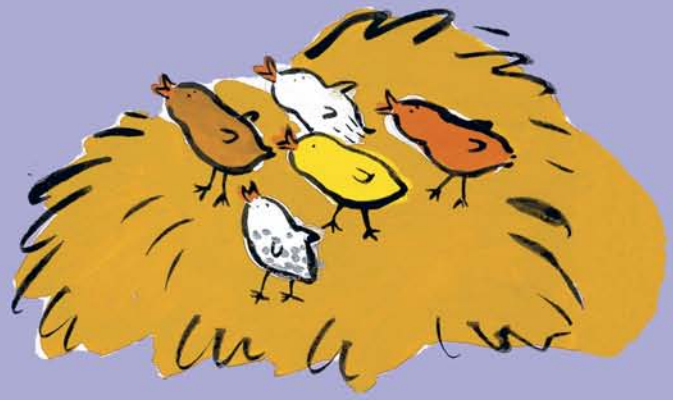
The sun always shines and the fun
never stops at Potter's Barn Farm.
Join the animals on their adventures
as they sing, stomp, make cakes,
get lost, run off, and go wild.



Henny-Penny was tucking
her chicks in for the night.



"It's not fair," cheeped the chicks.
"It's not even dark yet. Why do
we have to go to bed so early?"



"Because you're young
and you need your rest,"
said Henny-Penny.



"But we're not sleepy,"
said the chicks.

"You will be soon,"
said Henny-Penny.
"Now, no more chit-chat.
Goodnight, chicks.
Sleep tight."

And she closed
the hen house door.



For a moment there was silence.



"It's not fair!"
said the black speckled chick.



"I bet everyone else is up having fun,"
said the red chick.

"I bet Belle is dancing," said
the brown chick.



"I bet Billy the Kid is playing
football," said the yellow one.



"I bet Daffodil is having a party,"
said the fluffy white.



The chicks looked at each other.
"Let's go and find out,"
they cheeped.

And they sneaked out of the hen
house over to Belle's pen.

