



These Boots Were Made For...

Grade level:
2 - 5

Objective:
Learn more about different jobs on the farm and reasons to wear different boots

Materials Needed:

- Boot Picture Cards
- Boot Purpose Cards

Farm Boots by Lisl H. Detlefsen

A delightful romp around farms through the season—and the many types of boots that are needed to get the job done. In this book, you will follow farm families as they work and play in boots all year long. Whether it's springtime puddle-splashing, riding at the summer fair, or herding sheep into the barn in winter, there's a type of boot for every kind of weather and activity. Each season brings adorable farm animals, farming equipment, and of course boots in this exploration of farm and country life.

Suggested Sequence of Events

- *Teacher prep:* Make copies of the Boot Picture Cards, and the Boot Purpose Cards. Print enough Boot Purpose Cards for each student to have one purpose card (it is okay if some students have the same card), but you only need one set of picture cards.
- Show students the cover of Farm Boots and ask, "Why are they wearing different boots in the top and bottom pictures?" Answers may include: different weather, different work being done, etc.
- Read Farm Boots. After, review the six main types of boots from the story, and their purpose.
- Place the Boot Picture Cards around the classroom. Put the Boot Purpose Cards in a basket, and let the student select one.
- Allow students to locate the Boot Picture Card that matches their Purpose Card. Tell them to stand by the picture card.
- Ask for one student at each Boot Picture Card to read their Purpose Card to the rest of the class.
- Repeat the game as time allows.
- Extension:
 - Poll students about their favorite type of boot and let them create a graph to represent the data.
 - Select a pair of boots from the story and write a short story from the boot's perspective about their day



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RUBBER BOOTS

**HIP
BOOTS**



WORK BOOTS

**SNOW
BOOTS**



**RIDING
BOOTS**

**ANKLE
BOOTS**



A waterproof boot with good treads to prevent slipping. Used when working around water and mud to keep feet warm and dry.

A waterproof boot that covers your entire leg, right up to the hips! Used when working in or around a lot of water.

A boot with special lining, like steel, in the toes. Used to protect toes when working with animals and heavy objects

A warm, waterproof boot insulated boot with good traction. Used to keep feet warm and dry in cold and snowy conditions.

A tall leather boot, usually shiny and black. Used for riding, showing, or working with animals, like horses.

A low boot that comes to ankle, or just covers it. Used when you don't need a lot of protection.