

# THE FARMTASTIC FOUR

THE FARM OF DANGER





# WHAT IS ON A FARM?

If you go out to the country, what do you see? That's right, fields and farms. Oh, and trees and hedges and birds.....It's a long list! Farms rear animals like sheep, cattle and pigs and can grow things such as wheat, barley, fruit and vegetables.

Farms are wonderful places to visit. You may have been to a farm on a school visit or on a trip with your parents. Some of you may even live on a farm. It is important to remember that farms are work places and so they might be dangerous and you need to take care.



## MEET THE FARMTASTIC FOUR

Here are the Farmtastic Four. They are going to help you find your way safely round a farm.



There are lots of different animals on farms; they may look tame but stay away from them. They can bite, stamp on you and may give you diseases.

You might see dogs on the farm. Some may be sheep dogs, some may be guard dogs. They may look friendly but they might not like strangers so keep away.

Farms have a lot of machinery on them. All the machines make the farmer's life a bit easier. You can help the farmer by not touching any machinery or going near any vehicles like tractors.

As you read this magazine you will discover other dangers. You will find out more about farms and how to stay safe when you visit them. So, remember, never go to a farm without an adult and always stay with that adult.

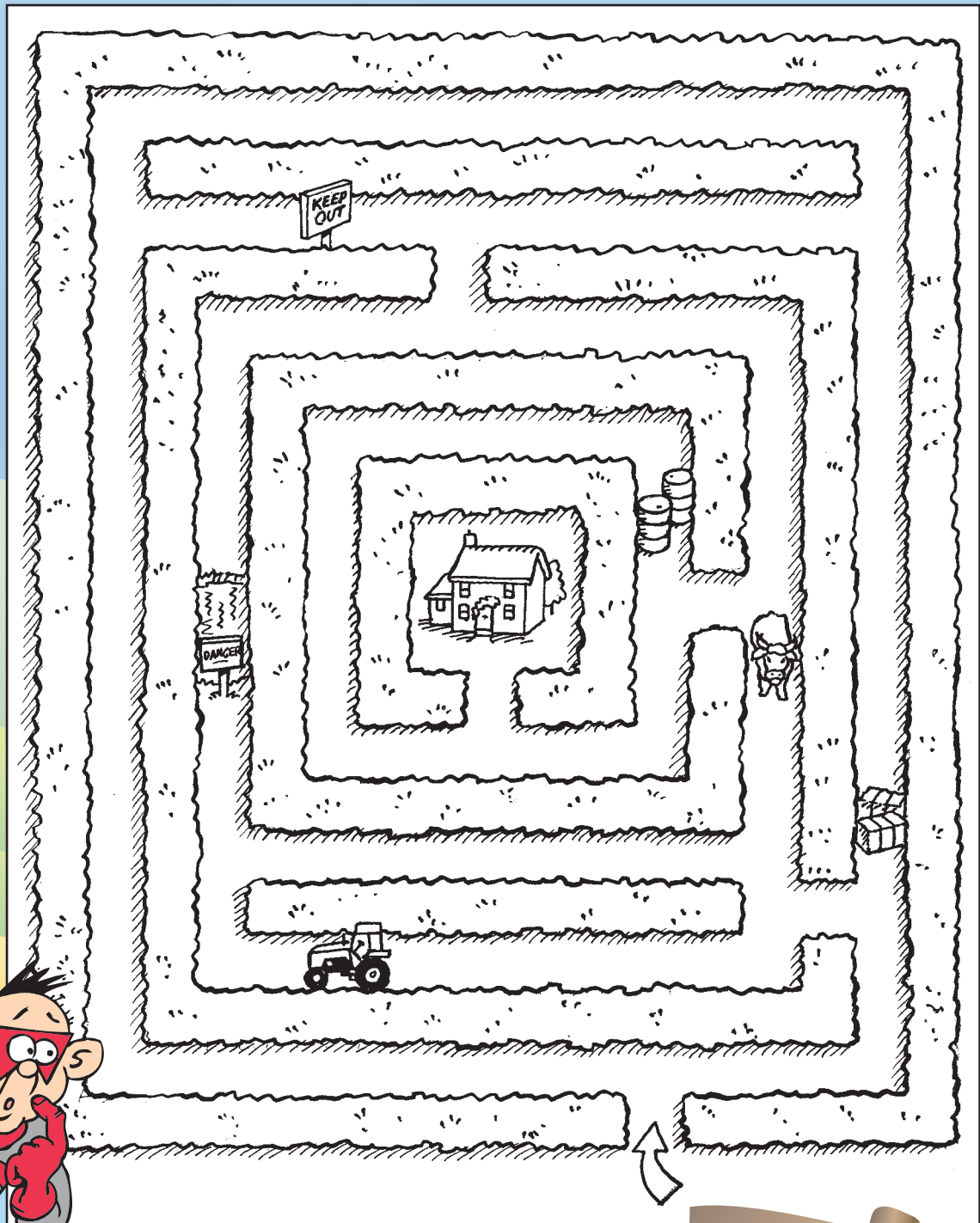
There are lots of games, puzzles and quizzes for you to try.

# ROUND THE FARM



There is one correct path to lead you to the farmhouse. Can you avoid all the hazards and get there safely?

When you have found your way in, colour in the picture.



PAGE 3

try not to  
get lost!

entrance

# THE FARMTASTIC SHOP

The Farmtastic Four help to run a farm shop at the weekend.

Can you help the Farmtastic Four by working out the prices below?

1

How many apples can you get for £1.35?

Apples  
27p each



2

How much would 2kg of green beans cost?

Green Beans  
£4.00  
Per kg



3

How much would half a kilo of potatoes cost?

Potatoes  
£1.66  
Per kg



4

How many tomatoes could you get for £1.95?

Tomatoes  
15p each



5

If there are 10 carrots per kilogram how much would one cost?

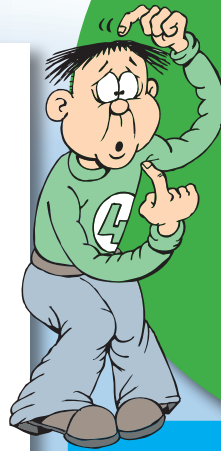
Carrots 80p  
per kg



6

How much would 10kg of strawberries cost?

Strawberries  
£4.30  
Per kg



## CAN YOU FIND THE ANIMAL?

Can you unscramble these letters to find six animals that you might find on farms in this country? Write your answer in the box.

sowc

igsp

scihkcne

ehpes

srohe

ooesg

atog

There are other animals you can find on the farm. How many others can you think of? Write their names or draw them in the box below.

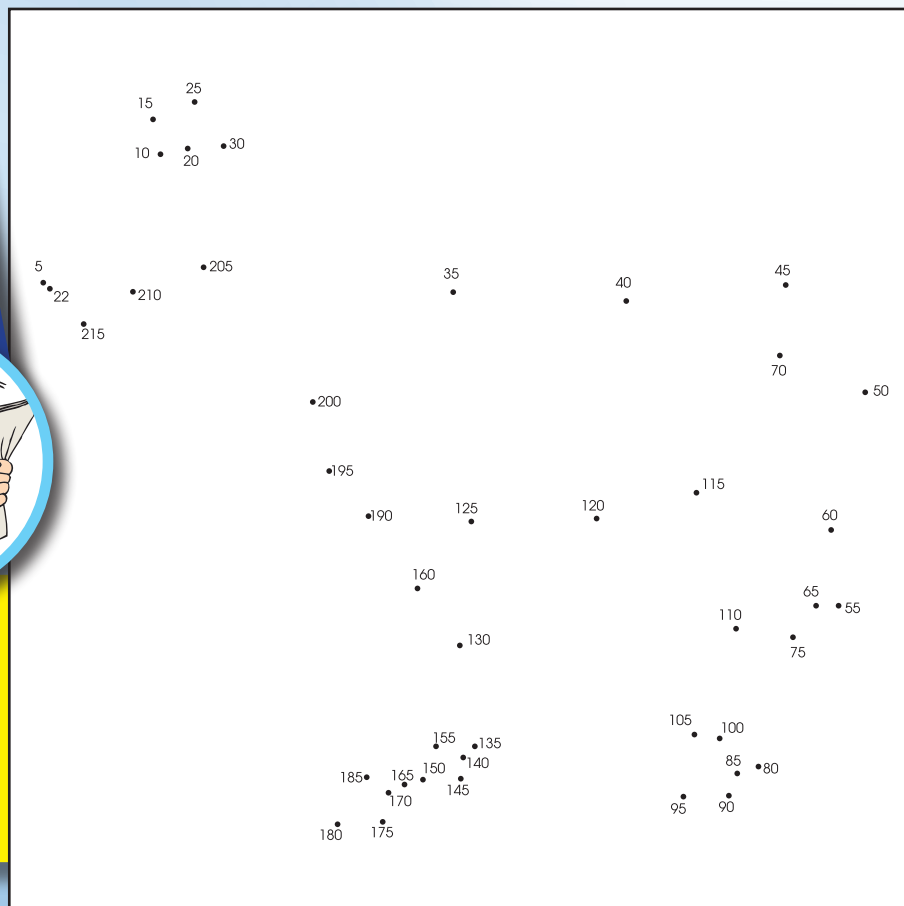




# JOIN THE



Join up the **multiples of 5** to reveal an animal you might find on a farm.



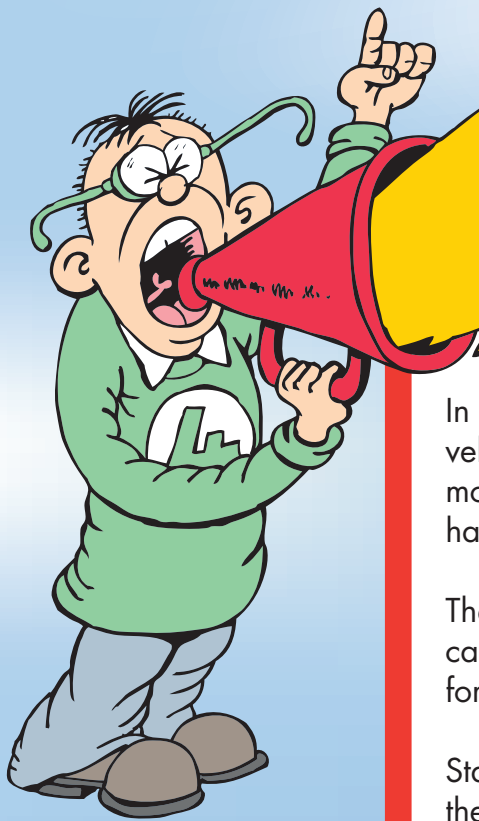
## THE GREAT FARMTASTIC CHALLENGE!



Now here is a great big challenge! How many words can you make by using the letters in the word **FARMTASTIC**? Can you find more words than your friend? Write them in the space below. Suzi and Benni have put a few words in to get you started.

RAM  
MAT  
SAT





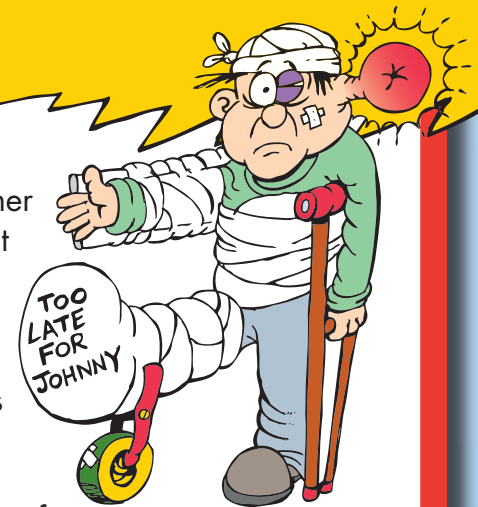
# FARM MACHINES = DANGER

In a farmyard, you will see lots of different vehicles and machines. These help the farmer move things around the farm, and carry out hard work like harvesting and ploughing.

These machines are very useful – but they can also be dangerous. Here are some tips for you to remember.

Stay away from vehicles and machines even if they are switched off. All the bits and pieces on a machine might look interesting but if you get caught on them, you could get hurt.

Don't ever ride on a trailer or a tractor – you could fall off and get a bit too close to those big wheels.



## WICKED WORDSEARCH

Here are some pieces of machinery and vehicles that you might find on a farm.

TRACTOR • DIGGER • QUAD BIKE •  
COMBINE • BALER • LORRY •  
HORSE BOX • TRAILER • JCB •  
SPREADER • SPRAYER • PLOUGH •  
FORKLIFT

Can you cross them off in this wordsearch? The words run up and down, backwards and forwards and diagonally across the grid. One word is repeated twice. Which one?

A	Y	Q	U	A	D	B	I	K	E	C	T	A
F	A	Z	M	Y	F	A	Q	K	A	O	F	K
M	F	Y	R	R	O	L	C	M	U	M	I	F
C	Y	A	Z	M	Q	E	C	A	J	B	L	T
T	R	A	C	T	O	R	Y	Z	C	I	K	R
L	Q	Z	U	J	A	U	X	E	Y	N	R	A
O	B	E	M	Z	Z	O	N	J	Q	E	O	I
R	C	A	U	A	B	I	U	M	C	F	F	L
R	J	M	Q	E	B	E	A	K	Y	U	K	E
Y	J	U	S	M	F	S	P	R	A	Y	E	R
C	K	R	O	E	C	Y	U	K	Y	A	M	K
K	O	C	M	A	Y	R	E	G	G	I	D	M
H	U	Y	A	K	C	J	A	M	U	C	J	A
E	M	E	F	M	S	P	R	E	A	D	E	R
U	J	P	L	O	U	G	H	Z	E	J	U	F

# DANGEROUS MATCH



Now you have found the words, can you match the dangers on the right to the machines on the left? Draw a line between them. Some dangers might have more than one machine matched to them.

JCB

Forklift

Sprayer

Tractor

Combine

Spreader

Quad bike

Gives out a fine mist that can get into your eyes and nose and on your skin.

Can overturn or throw you off especially if you are sitting on an adult's lap.

Moves around a lot and changes direction quickly.

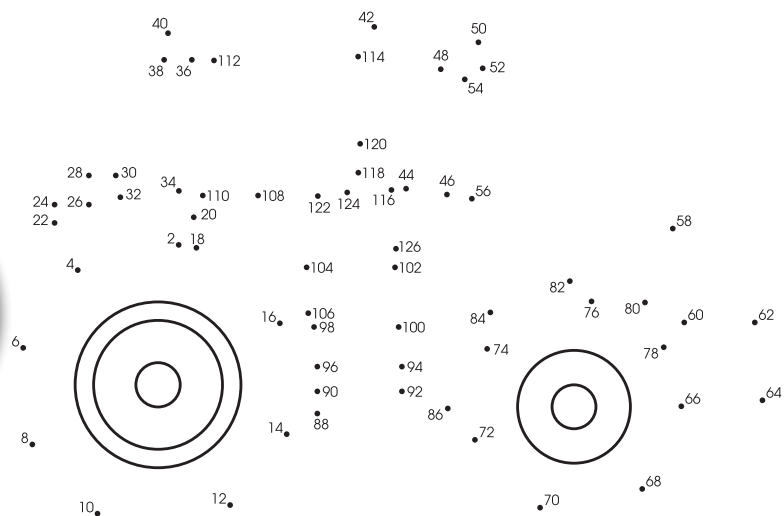
Throws things like fertiliser pellets, which are very small, move fast and hurt!

Could run you over because the driver might not see or hear you.

## ANOTHER JOIN THE DOTS



Join up the **even numbers** to reveal a very useful farm vehicle.



# SIGNS OF DANGER

As you walk around the farm, you'll see signs on the walls. Some of these are warning signs that tell you there is a risk of danger. For example, near a hayshed there may be

a fire hazard sign. Others will tell you what you must do to protect yourself; you might see a sign that tells you to wash your hands after touching animals.

**Match up each sign with its meaning and one place where each sign might be needed. The first one has been done for you.**

	sign meaning	place where the sign needs to be
	a general warning – risk of danger	i chemical store
	b caution – risk of electric shock	ii hay barn
	c caution – risk of fire	iii by water tap used for hosing down vehicles etc
	d caution – toxic hazard	iv beneath overhead power lines
	e head protection must be worn	v near a barn that is being built
	f eye protection must be worn	vi in a workshop
	g not suitable for drinking	vii by slurry pit

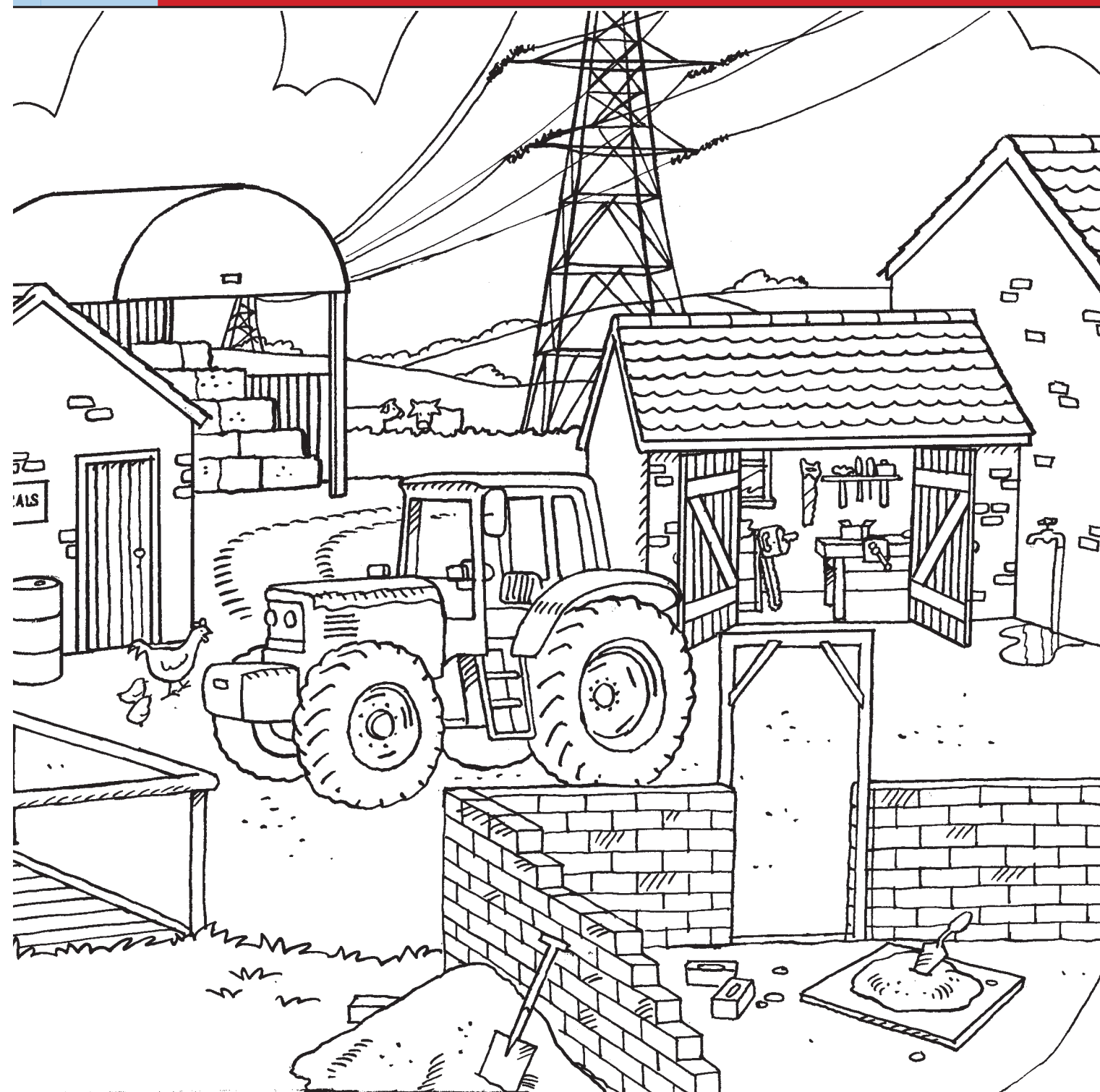




COLOUR  
US IN TOO

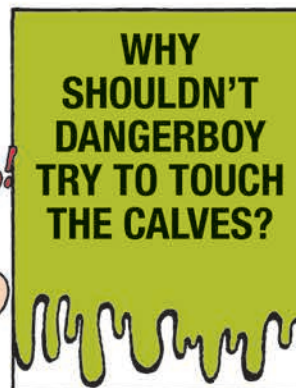
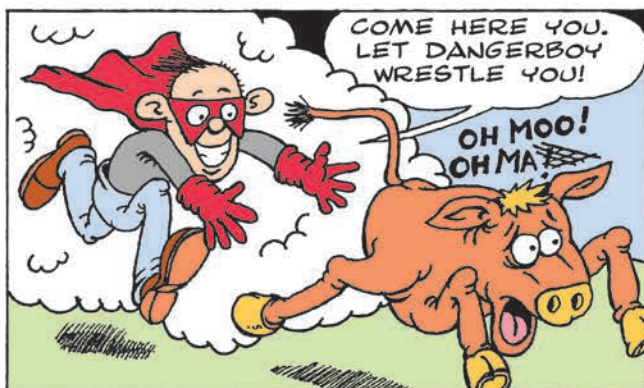
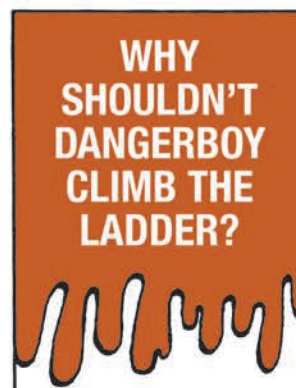
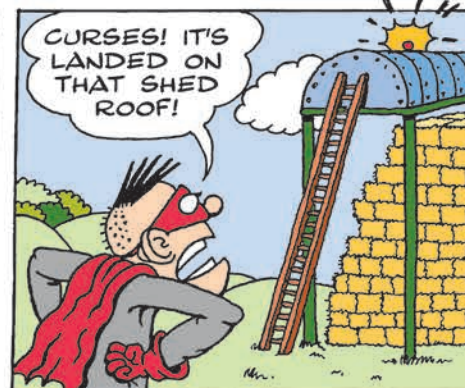
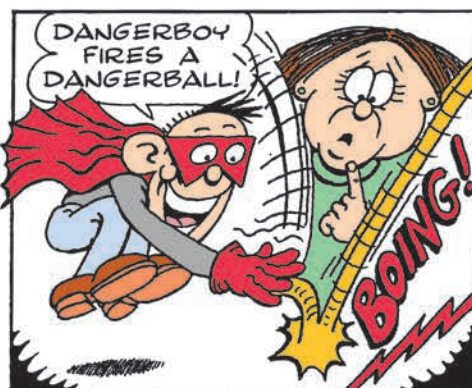
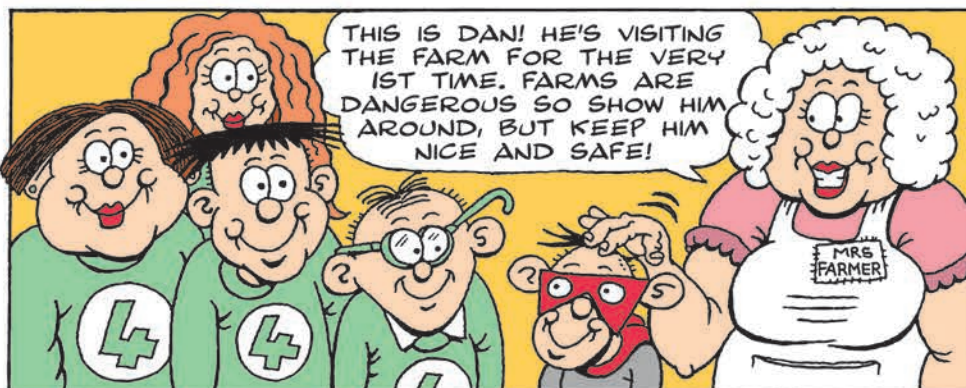


Where would you put the signs in the picture below? Now colour it in.

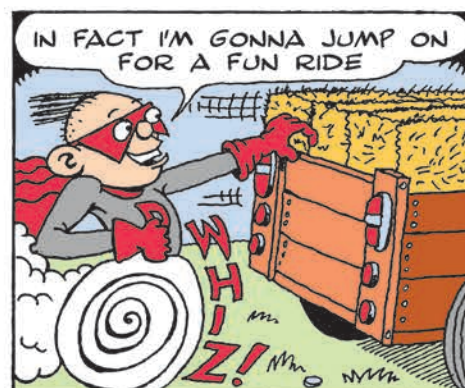
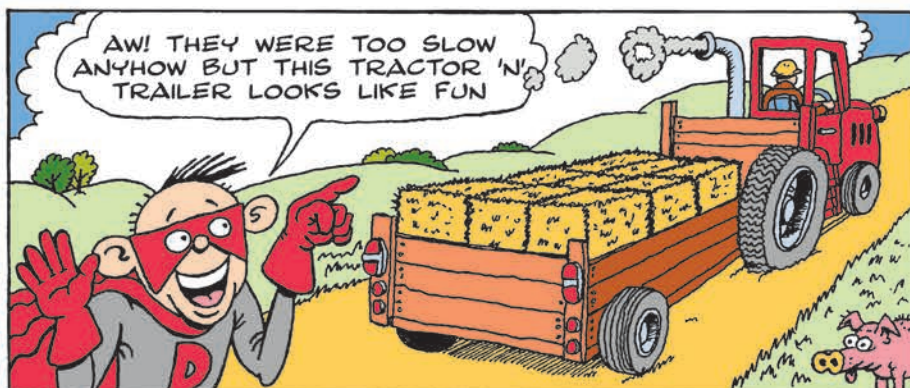




**THE FARM OF DANGER**  
STARRING  
THE FARMTASTIC FOUR



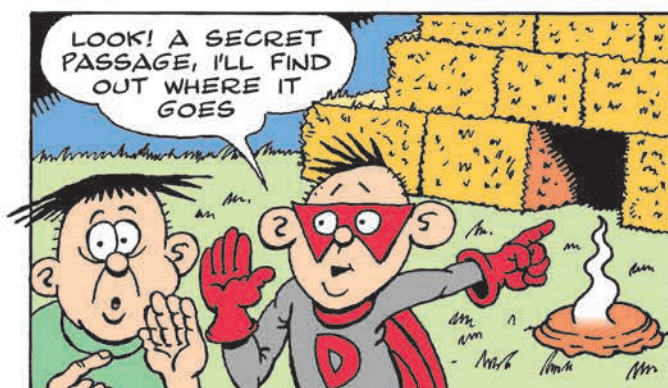




WHY SHOULDN'T DANGERBOY GO FOR A RIDE ON THE TRACTOR?



WHY SHOULDN'T DANGERBOY HAVE A RACE AGAINST A SILAGE HARVESTER?



WHY DO YOU THINK DANGERBOY SHOULDN'T EXPLORE THE HAYSTACK?





# LESSONS FOR DANGERBOY

Don't go into an animal pen without a grown-up. If animals are nervous or afraid, they could attack you. If you are allowed to touch an animal, wash your hands afterwards. Some of them carry infectious diseases.

Don't wander round a farm on your own - stay with an adult.

Stay well away from machines and vehicles, even if they are not moving. The driver might not be able to see you, or you could get caught up in the moving parts.

Don't play in stacks of hay or straw because they could collapse on top of you.

There are lots of dangerous liquids on farms. Farmers use: chemicals to clean equipment; sprays to keep pests off crops; medicines for animals. These can make you very ill if you swallow them and some can catch fire very easily. Don't play with bottles or drums.

Close the farm gates behind you. If you take a dog with you to a farm, keep it on a lead all the time so that it doesn't get lost or frighten the farm animals.

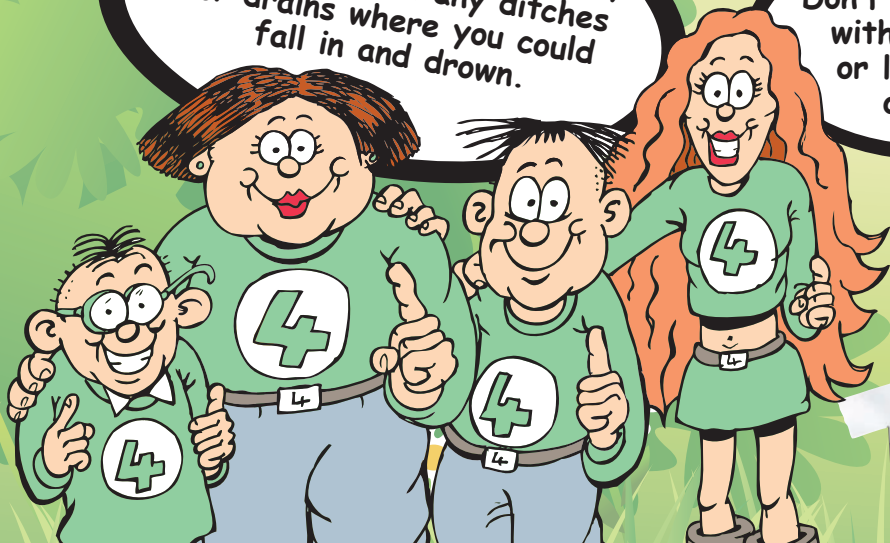
Don't go inside grain bins or stand on grain in pits because you could be sucked down into it.

Keep away from slurry pits, sheep dips and any ditches or drains where you could fall in and drown.

Don't ever play with matches or light fires on farms.

Take great care when cycling through farmyards, there are many dangers.

Never eat or drink anything without washing your hands first.





# THE FARMTASTIC FOUR FAV ANIMALS



## ADVICE FROM SUZI!

Here is Suzi of the Farmtastic Four:

'One of the best things about being on a farm is looking at the animals, especially the young ones like lambs and calves. Don't get too close, though. Their mothers will want to protect them and if you try to touch a lamb or a calf, you could have a very angry ewe or cow coming to warn you off!

We have horses on our farm and they are quite big animals, so stay away. Watch out for dogs on farms, too. They are working animals, not pets, and they can be quite fierce. We have a guard dog and many other farms do. So do not go near him because he will growl and bark at you!

Animals can also carry diseases that human beings can catch. If you do touch an animal – even if it is just the farm dog or cat, wash your hands afterwards. Don't ever touch anything on the farm and then put your fingers in your mouth!



# FARMTASTIC OR PANTS HOW R U ON THE FARM?

Here's a quick quiz to find out how you would be on the farm. Write down your answers and check on page 16 to find out if u r farmtastic or pants!

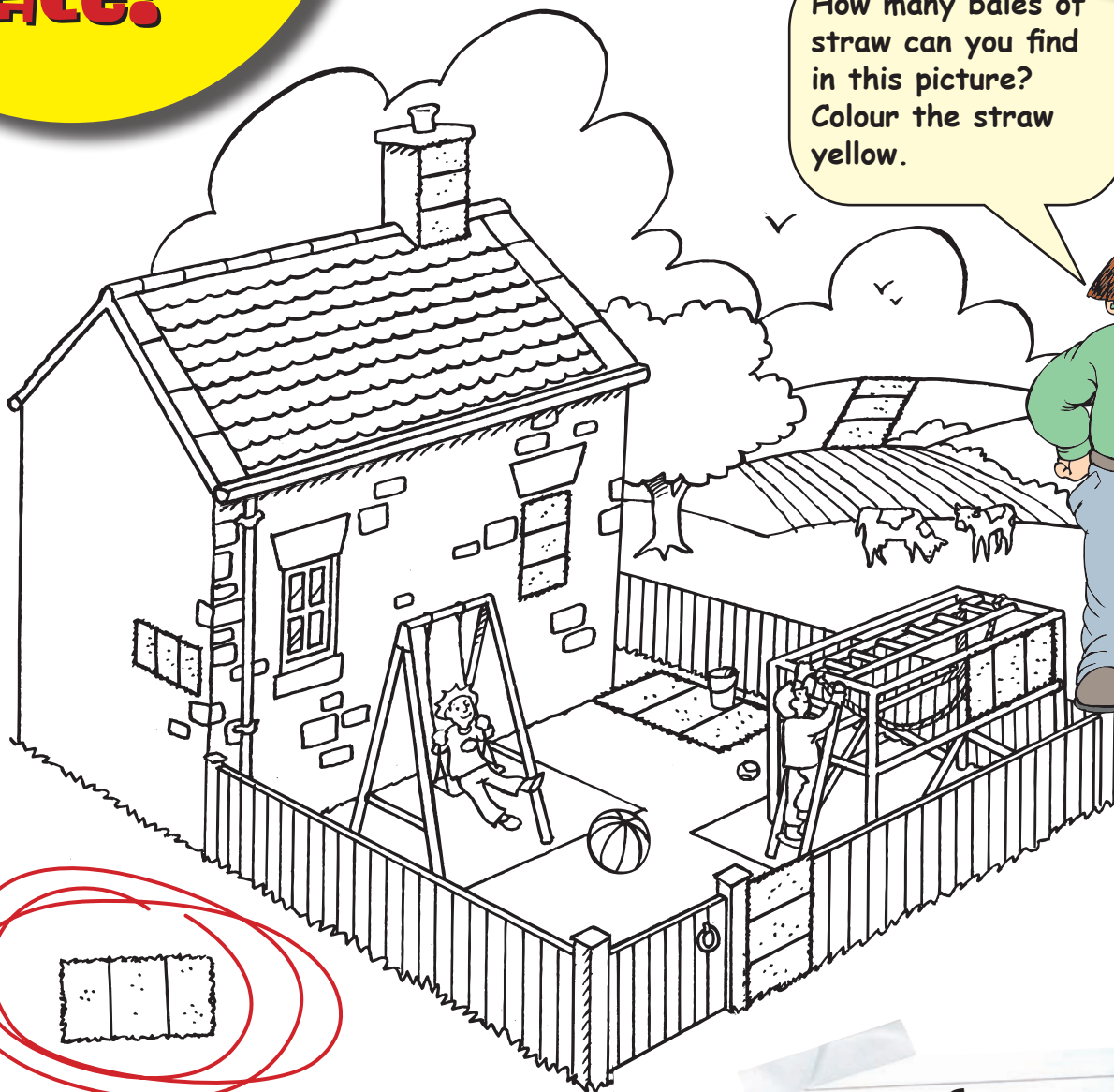


- 1) What should you do if you find the keys in a tractor?
  - a) jump in and start the engine
  - b) throw the keys away
  - c) tell the farmer
  - d) do nothing
- 2) What do you spread on land to make crops grow?
  - a) stones
  - b) fertiliser
  - c) sand/gravel
  - d) straw
- 3) What do you call a person who shoes horses?
  - a) a doctor
  - b) a vet
  - c) a farrier
  - d) a cobbler
- 4) How old must you be before you can drive a tractor on a farm?
  - a) 9
  - b) 11
  - c) 13
  - d) 16



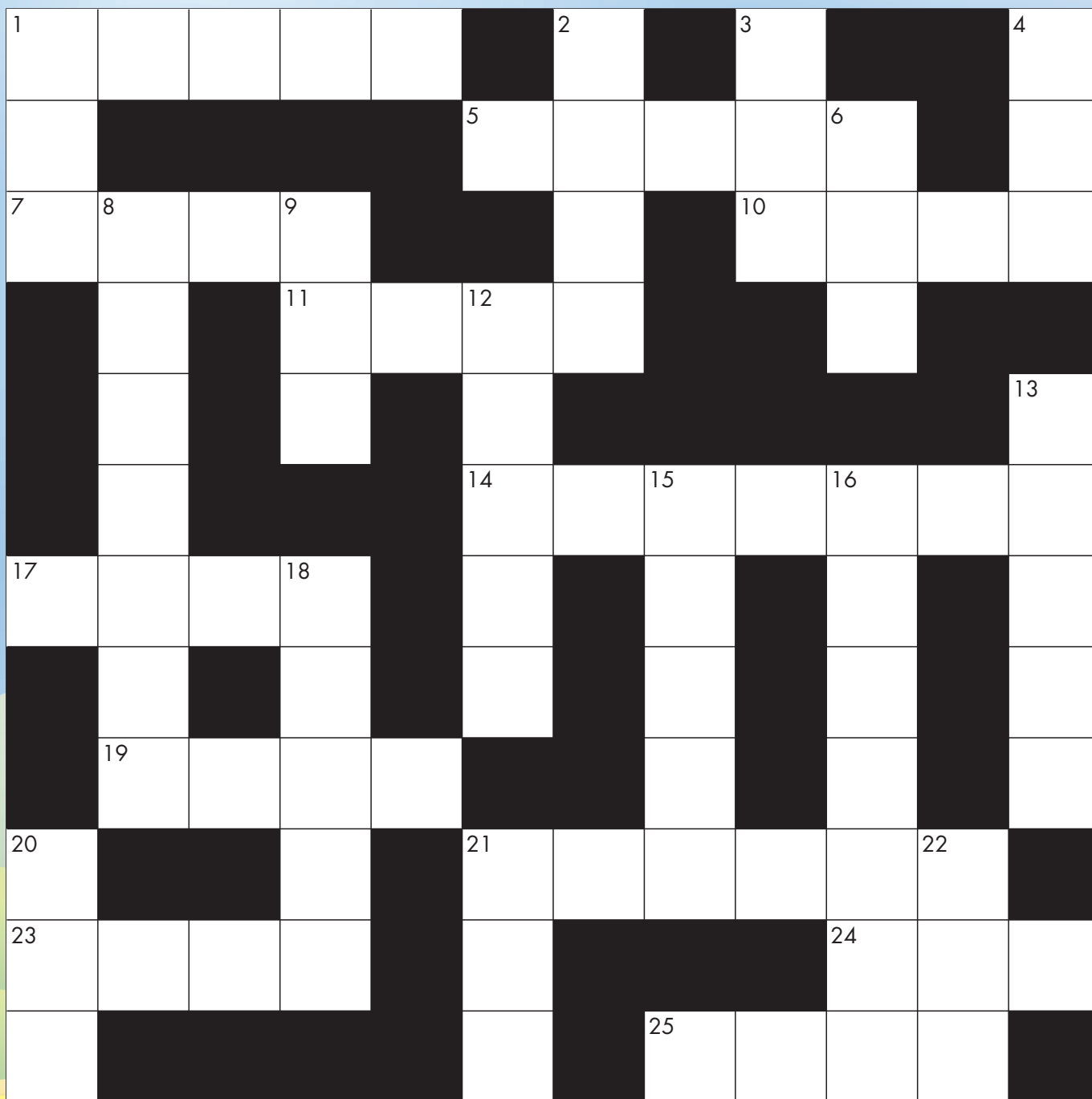
**FIND THE  
BALE!**

How many bales of straw can you find in this picture?  
Colour the straw yellow.





# FARMFESTIC CROSSWORD



## Down

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| 1 This animal gives us milk (3)                  | 13 Corn, wheat and rye are all types of this (5)               |
| 2 These have slurry (4)                          | 15 One of these people needs to look after you on the farm (5) |
| 3 Where a pig lives (3)                          | 16 A tractor pulls one of these (7)                            |
| 4 A female deer (3)                              | 18 Farmers keep hay in these (5)                               |
| 6 A female pig (3)                               | 20 This animal barks (3)                                       |
| 8 Lots of these with 4 legs live on the farm (7) | 21 Used to catch tadpoles or butterflies (3)                   |
| 9 This bird gives us eggs (3)                    | 22 A female sheep (3)  |
| 12 Always close these on the farm (5)            |  |

## Across

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1 The farmer grows these in fields (5)        | 19 If you get bitten by an animal you'll feel this (4) |
| 5 People can start these with matches (5)     | 21 This plant will sting you (6)                       |
| 7 Do this to your hands before eating (4)     | 23 These night time birds sometimes live in barns (4)  |
| 10 Animals smell with this, so do we (4)      | 24 Another female sheep (3)                            |
| 11 Birds lay these (4)                        | 25 Like a rabbit but really fast (4)                   |
| 14 Farmers drive one of these on the farm (7) |  |
| 17 Name for a baby sheep (4)                  |  |

# ANSWERS

Tractor  
Another join the dots

Could run you over because the driver might not see or hear you.

Quad bike

Spreader

Throws things like fertiliser pellets, which are very small, move fast and hurt!

Combine

Moves around a lot and changes direction quickly.

Tractor

Can overturn or throw you off especially if you are sitting on an adult's lap.

Sprayer

Forklift

and on your skin.

JCB

Gives out a fine mist that can get into your eyes and nose

Dangerous match

Lorry appears twice.

Wordsearch

Pages 6+7

4 Points or less - You're, well, pants shame on U.

8 Points - Really not very good.

12 Points - Almost farmtastic.

16 Points - Your farmtastic and the 4 R proud of U.

Find the bale!

You should have found 7 bales.

Crossword

1) Cow 2) Pits 3) Pen 4) Doe 6) Sow  
8) Animals 9) Hen 12) Gates 13) Grain  
15) Adult 16) Trailer 18) Barns 20) Dog  
21) Net 22) Ewe.

Across

1) Crops 5) Fires 7) Wash 10) Nose  
11) Eggs 14) Tractor 17) Lamb 19) Sore  
21) Nettle 23) Owls 24) Ewe 25) Hare.

How many words from FARMTASTIC.

A, Afar, Am, Arm, Arms, At, Far, Farm, Farms, Sat, Fast, Smart, Start, Cart, Carts, Tart, Tarts, Art, Tar, Artist, Mat, Ram, First, Scram, It, Sit, Fit, Stir, Stair, Star, Static, Rim, Cat, Fat, Rat.

Your Score

You score 4 points for every correct answer.  
Question 1 - c Question 2 - b Question 3 - c  
Question 4 - c

Farmtastic or pants

Pages 14+15

Join the dots

Horse.

Cows • Pigs • Chickens • Sheep • Horse • Goose • Goat.

Can you find the animal?

1) 5 2) £8.00 3) 83p 4) 13  
5) 8p 6) £43.00

The Farmtastic Shop

Pages 4+5

Signs of danger

Pages 8+9

1. c. ii.  
2. a. vii.  
3. d. i.  
4. b. iv.  
5. f. vi.  
6. e. v.  
7. g. iii.

Health and Safety Executive  
for Northern Ireland  
83 Ladas Drive,  
Belfast  
BT6 9FR  
Northern Ireland

Phone: 0800 032 0121  
Fax: 028 9023 5383  
Textphone: 028 9054 6896  
Email: safestart@hse.gov.uk

Web: www.hse.gov.uk