

# The Pillars Of Space

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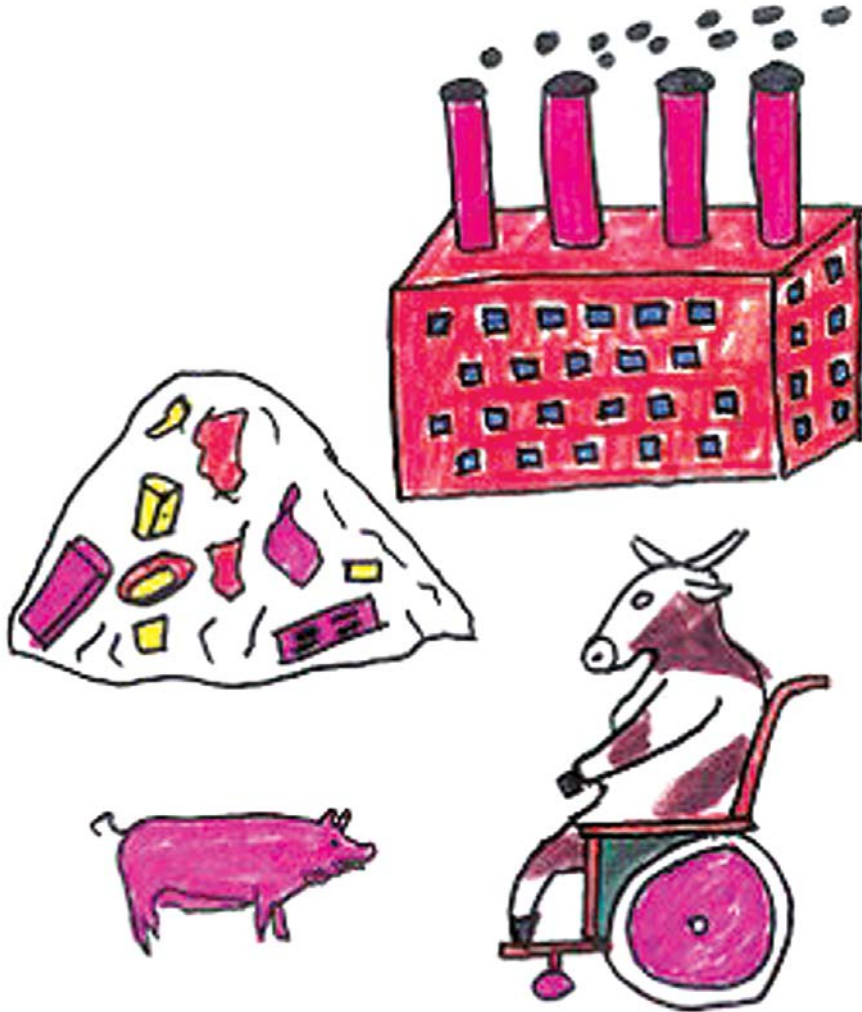


**ABOUT THE AUTHOR**

Anthony Ford was seven years old when he wrote this story in 1993. He lived in West Hampstead. His family is nice. His favourite authors were Jodie Valler-Feltham and the Ahlbergs. His hobbies were playing with his Dad and friends and doing jigsaws. He liked writing books. His ambition was to be able to read better. Anthony has a disability but did not think that it was very interesting. Anthony is now seventeen years old and is studying his A Levels at Sixth Form College. (He had to take them to court to be allowed to go to College as they were discriminating against him because he uses a wheelchair.)

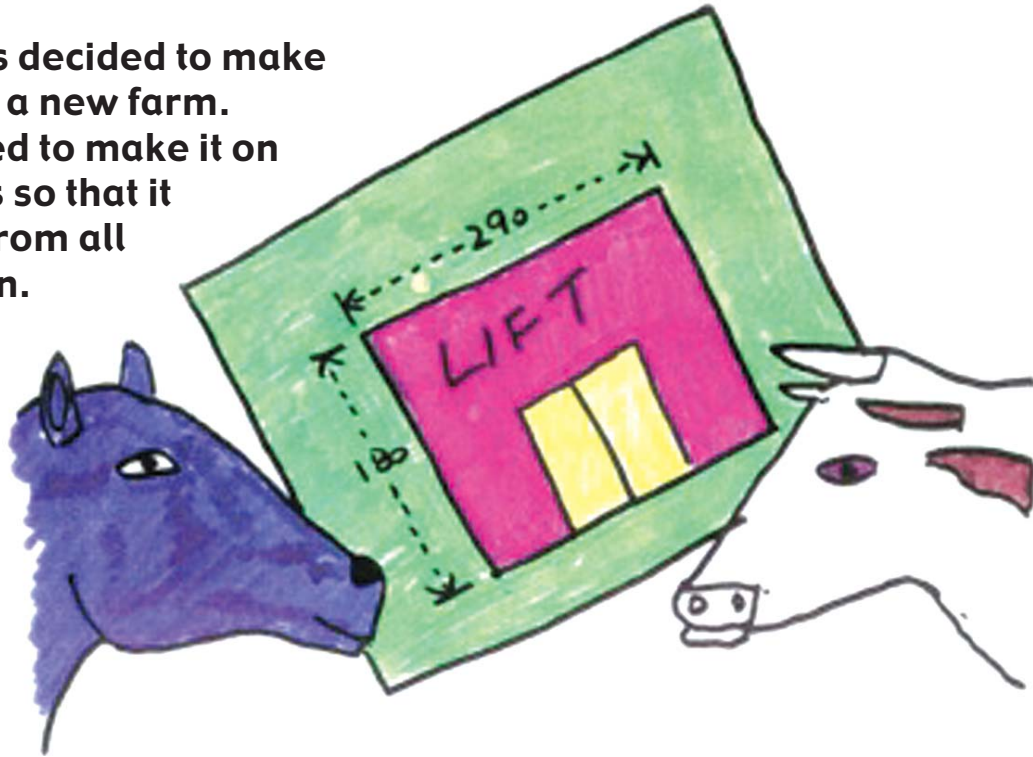


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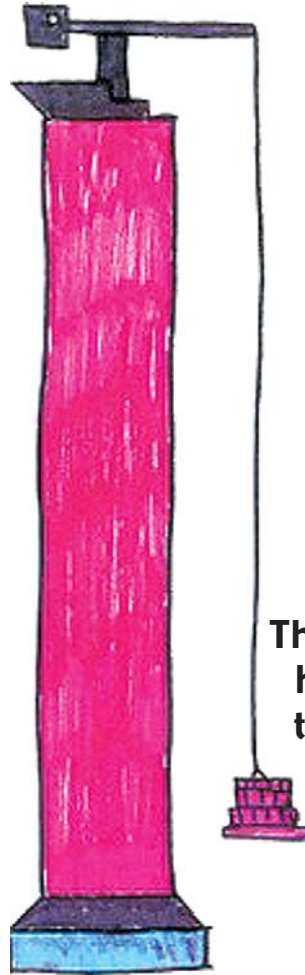
**Anthony Cow was eating hay. There was hardly any left, and the land was dirty with pollution. He thought he might go to another farm where there was more hay. He spoke to all the other animals on the farm and asked what they should do.**

The animals decided to make themselves a new farm. They decided to make it on huge pillars so that it was away from all the pollution.



The horse was the architect, so he drew the plans. One of the cows was the engineer and she worked out the plans for the lift.

**The pigs built the pillars right up into space. The goats put the lift inside one of the pillars.**



**The pigs took earth, flowers, grass, hay, water, bricks and wood up in the lift one at a time and made the farm on top of the pillars.**

**Anthony Cow called all his friends to come with him into the lift. He pressed one of the buttons in the lift with his foot.**



**When the lift opened there was the most beautiful farm they had ever seen. There were lovely bluebells, green bushes and yellow bushes. Around the farm was a fence made of wood. There was a cow shed for the cows to sleep. They decided to stay there.**

**Some of the animals are disabled and have different impairments. Some use wheelchairs. The wheelchairs were kept in a store cupboard in the farmhouse. The animals climbed on poles to do physio to stretch their legs.**

**Outside the farmhouse was the pond. On the pond lived twelve ducks. One duck called Doris was disabled. She was flying around one Wednesday afternoon and a bird flew into her by accident and broke her wing. Now Doris Duck cannot swim so she has a water wheelchair.**



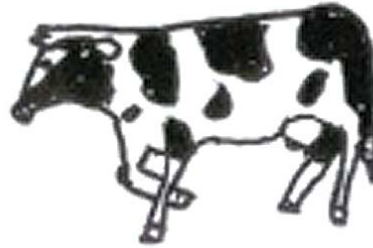
**There were twelve chickens in the yard. The ducks and the chickens ate corn and laid eggs. A chicken called Henrietta had lost her sight in one eye. It was winter and a big eagle flew down on to the ground. It kicked its feet at Henrietta Hen and caught her eye and she nearly died.**



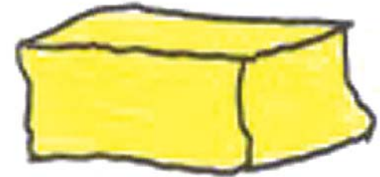
**Then a nice animal, a bear, came quickly from the woods. He heard the eagle flash down into the yard and he heard Henrietta Hen crying. He picked the hen up and took her back to the special house where she lived and gave her to the hens who looked after her. But she did lose the sight in one eye.**



**There was a farmer called Freddie who was quite nice. He looks like me, but has dark hair. He had learning difficulties. Things needed explaining carefully to him so he could do them properly. He is very good at his work.**

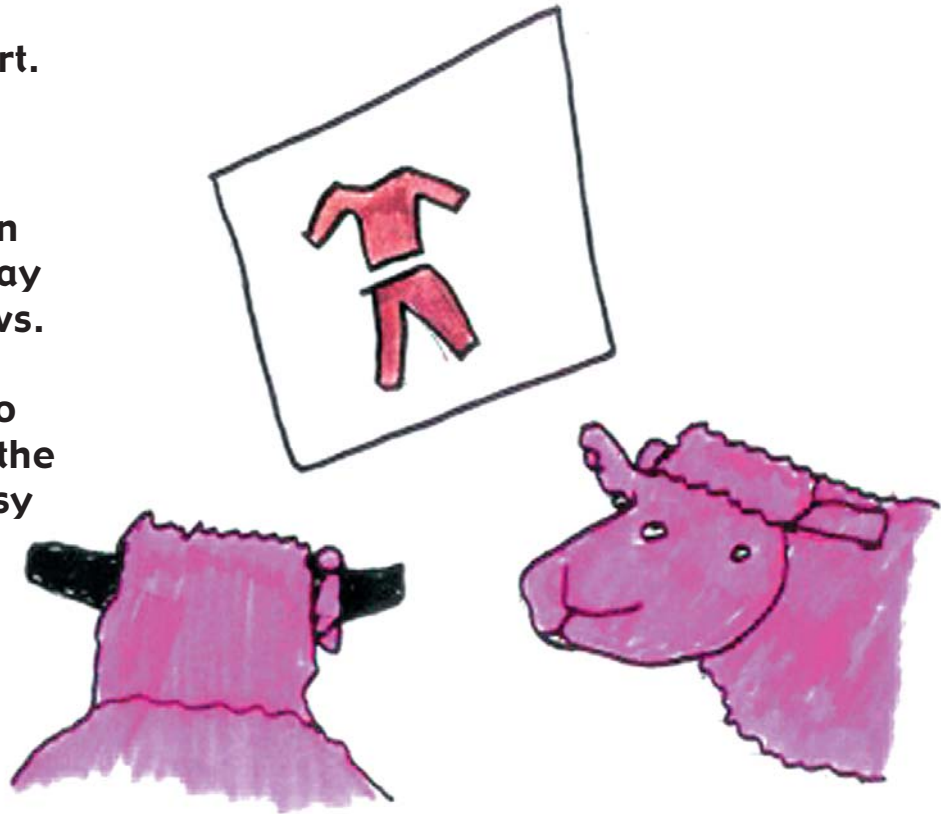


**On the farm were eight cows who ate hay in the winter and grass in the summer. Freddie cuts the grass to make hay when it is nearly winter.**

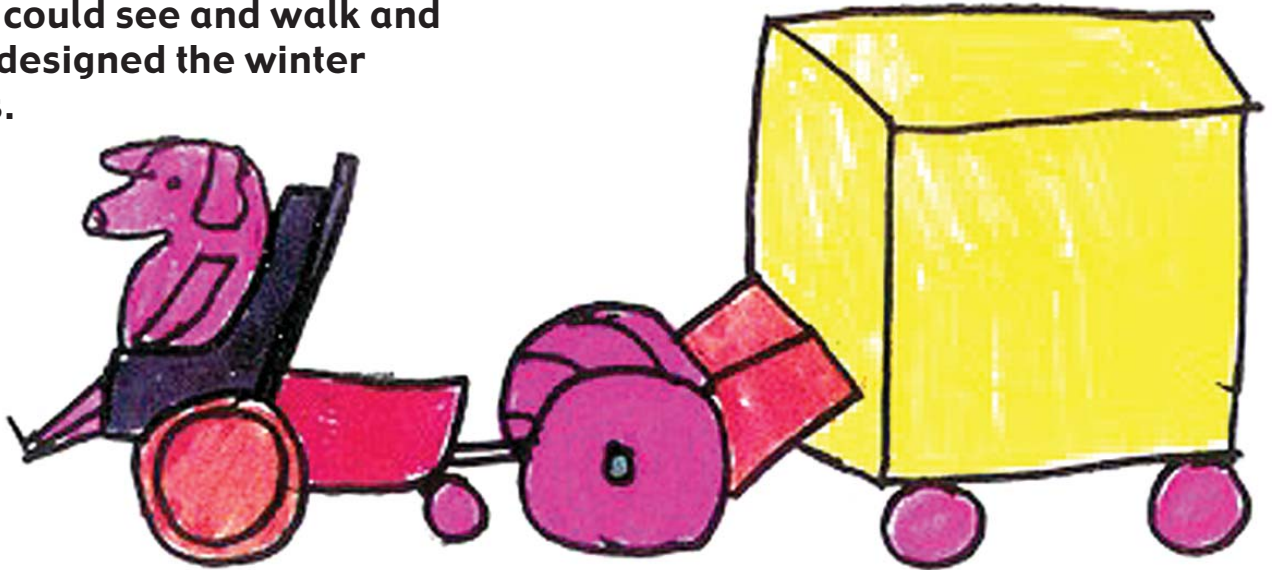


**The cows make milk and butter, cheese and yoghurt.**

**There were eight sheep on the farm. The sheep eat hay and grass just like the cows. They make wool for the farm. They use the wool to make winter coats for all the animals. Two sheep, Flossy and Panda, could not hear very well. They have taught each other and some of the other animals, how to sign with their ears.**

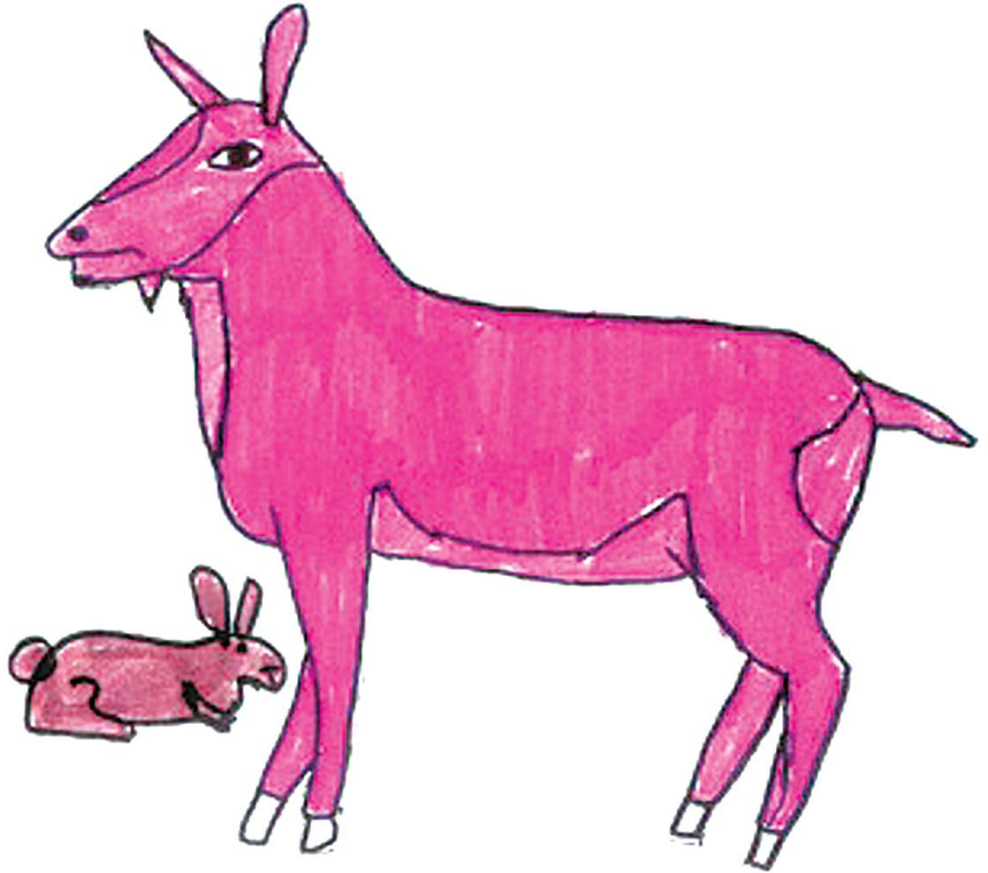


**They could see and walk and they designed the winter coats.**



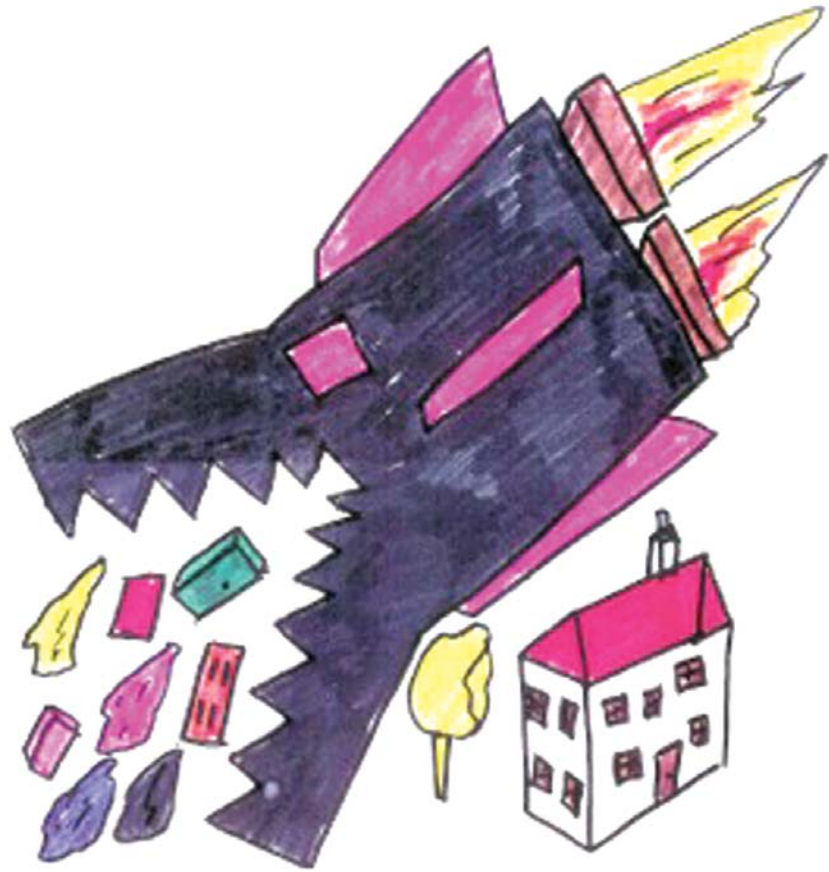
**The pigs eat corn and grass. They assist the farmer in making hay. Mary Pig walked out in the road one day. A tractor came along and knocked her down. Her legs came apart and got crushed. She could not walk any more so she uses a wheelchair on the farm. Mary Pig helps to harvest the corn in her Turbo wheelchair.**

**On the farm also lived ten rabbits who ate grass and corn. They make pooh for the farm. The pooh is spread on the ground to make the plants grow. The animals eat the plants.**



**The goats who lived on the farm ate hay, potatoes, carrots and bread. They make milk and Greek yoghurt.**

**One afternoon a big space dumper flew over the farm. It stopped and opened its 'ginormous' jaws and out poured all the rubbish from the people on Earth.**



**The farm was disgusting and full of smelly rubbish.**

**Mary Pig and Doris Duck had an idea. They would give the dumper a present to take the rubbish away. They used mechanical shovels to make a rubbish dump underground.**



**They gave the dumper the dump as a present. All the rubbish was put in the underground dump. The animals could live on their beautiful farm again.**



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