Animal Housing Matching Cards

**Resource Details**

**Length:** 20 minutes

**Materials Needed:**
- Animal Housing Matching Cards

**Objective:**
Learners will understand that farmers care for their animals by learning about the housing conditions of different animals in agriculture

**Complimentary Resources**
Other AFBFA resources that this resource would pair well with:
- “In My Barn” game from My American Farm
- “A Check-In With Chickens” eComic from My American Farm

**Implementation Ideas**

**Classroom/Workshops**
- Modify the rules of the game by pairing learners up and have one learner match the animals with outdoor housing (e.g., pasture) and the other learner match the animals with indoor housing (e.g., barns, boxes, cages).

**Home**
- After playing the game, have learners choose one animal’s housing structure. Use craft materials to replicate that housing structure at home.

**Fairs & Events**
- For county/state fairs: Have facilitators ask learners about different kinds of animal housing they have seen at the fair. Introduce the rules of memory and have learners match animals to their housing. After each match, have students compare this to how the animals are housed at the fair.

**Technology to Use**
Use a SMART board to play the “In My Barn” My American Farm game before playing the Animal Housing Matching Card game.

**Discussion Questions**
Questions to reinforce the main point of the content:

**What:** What kinds of places do animals live on farms?

**So What:** So what does that tell you about the relationship between farmers and their animals?

**Now What:** Now what can you do to learn more about how farmers care for their animals?

**Extended Learning**
Websites to gather more information on the topic or to share with students who want to learn more:

https://animalsmart.org/animal-health-animal-welfare/types-of-animal-housing