

I Own it All



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Enviro-Stories Education Program

Enviro-Stories is a competition based education program for primary schools that was developed by PeeKdesigns.



www.envirostories.com.au

This program provides an education and learning experience for kids through their active engagement with natural resource and catchment management issues. The final product is a published story written about local issues, by local kids, for local kids and future generations.

In 2012, the “Our Farmers, Our Future” Enviro-Stories Education Program provided local kids with the opportunity to write and illustrate stories about life on the farm. This program was sponsored by the Cotton Catchment Communities CRC, Australian Government’s Caring for our Country, Central West and Border Rivers-Gwydir Catchment Management Authorities and Cotton Australia.

Cotton Catchment Communities CRC

The Cotton Catchment Communities CRC is an industry partnership leading research, education and commercialisation in the Australian cotton industry.

www.cottoncrc.org.au

Australian Government’s Caring for our Country

Caring for our Country is one way the Australian Government funds environmental management of our natural resources by supporting communities, farmers and other land managers to protect Australia’s natural environment and sustainability.

www.nrm.gov.au

Central West CMA

The Central West CMA is committed to work with the community to conserve, improve and manage natural and cultural resources. The catchment is located in central western New South Wales.

www.cw.cma.nsw.gov.au

Border Rivers-Gwydir CMA

The Border Rivers-Gwydir CMA strives for balanced production and conservation within resilient landscapes. The catchment is located in northern New South Wales, just west of the Great Diving Range.

www.brg.cma.nsw.gov.au

Cotton Australia

Cotton Australia is the peak body for Australia’s cotton growing industry, supporting over 1500 cotton farming families in New South Wales and Queensland.

www.cottonaustralia.com.au

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The “Our Farmers, Our Future” Enviro-Stories Education Program consists of the following books:

Sponsored by Cotton Catchment Communities CRC and Caring for our Country

- Fluffy’s Getting Shorn
- A Great Turnaround
- The New Farm
- The Farmer Changes His Ways
- I Own it All
- Drought and Flooding Rains

Sponsored by Central West CMA

- My Life on a Sheep Farm
- A Weekend on our Farm
- Farm Animals
- Life on the Farm

Sponsored by both the Cotton Catchment Communities CRC and the Central West CMA

- Euchareena School Gardening

Sponsored by Border Rivers-Gwydir CMA

- Hoot the Owl Saves the Day
- Our Farms are Our Future
- Life as a Sheep
- What we have on Farms

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- Cotton on ‘Koramba’

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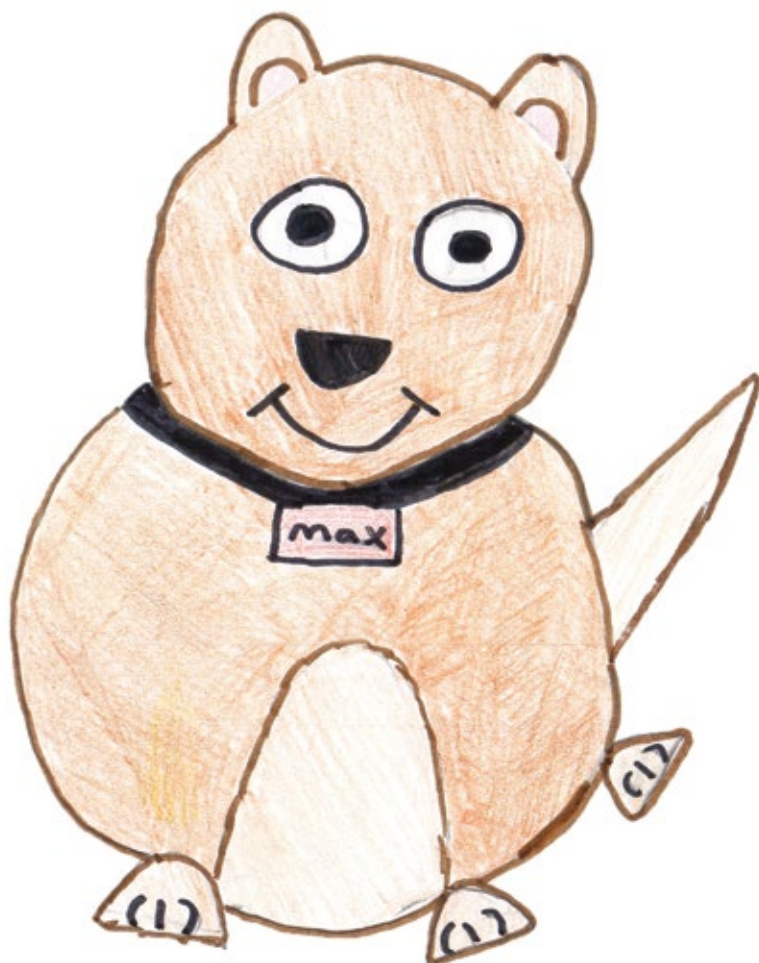
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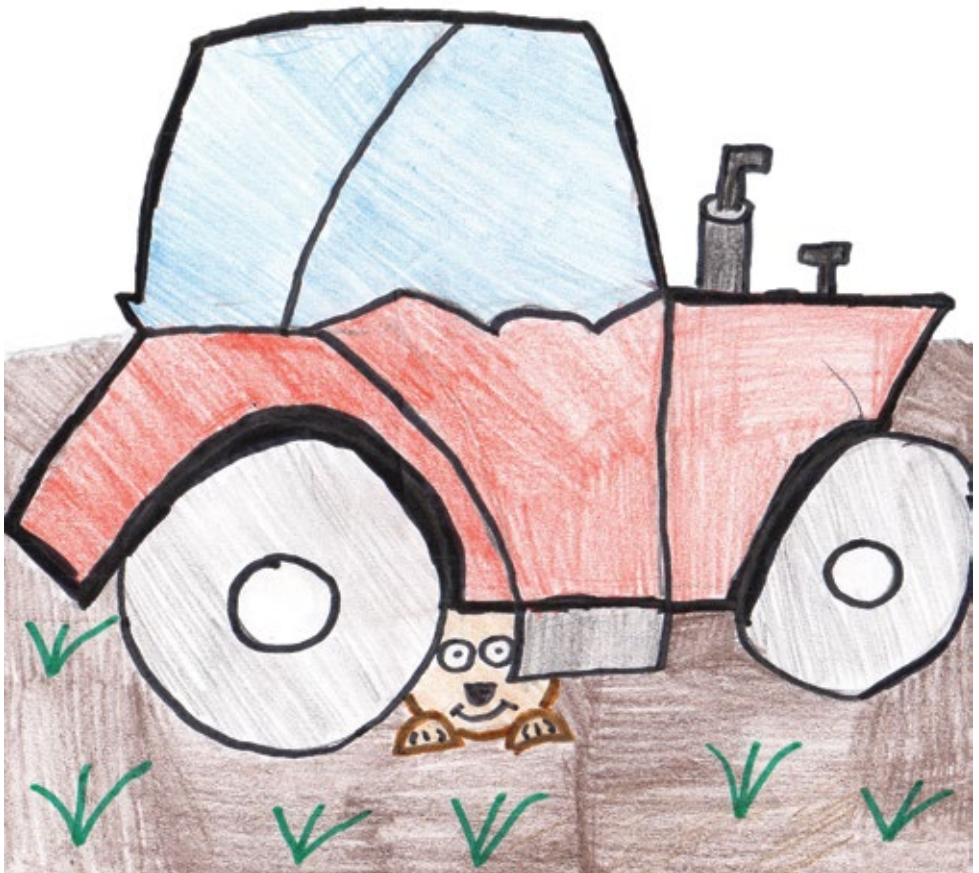
My name is Max and I am a dog. I own
this farm, from my bone to my master.

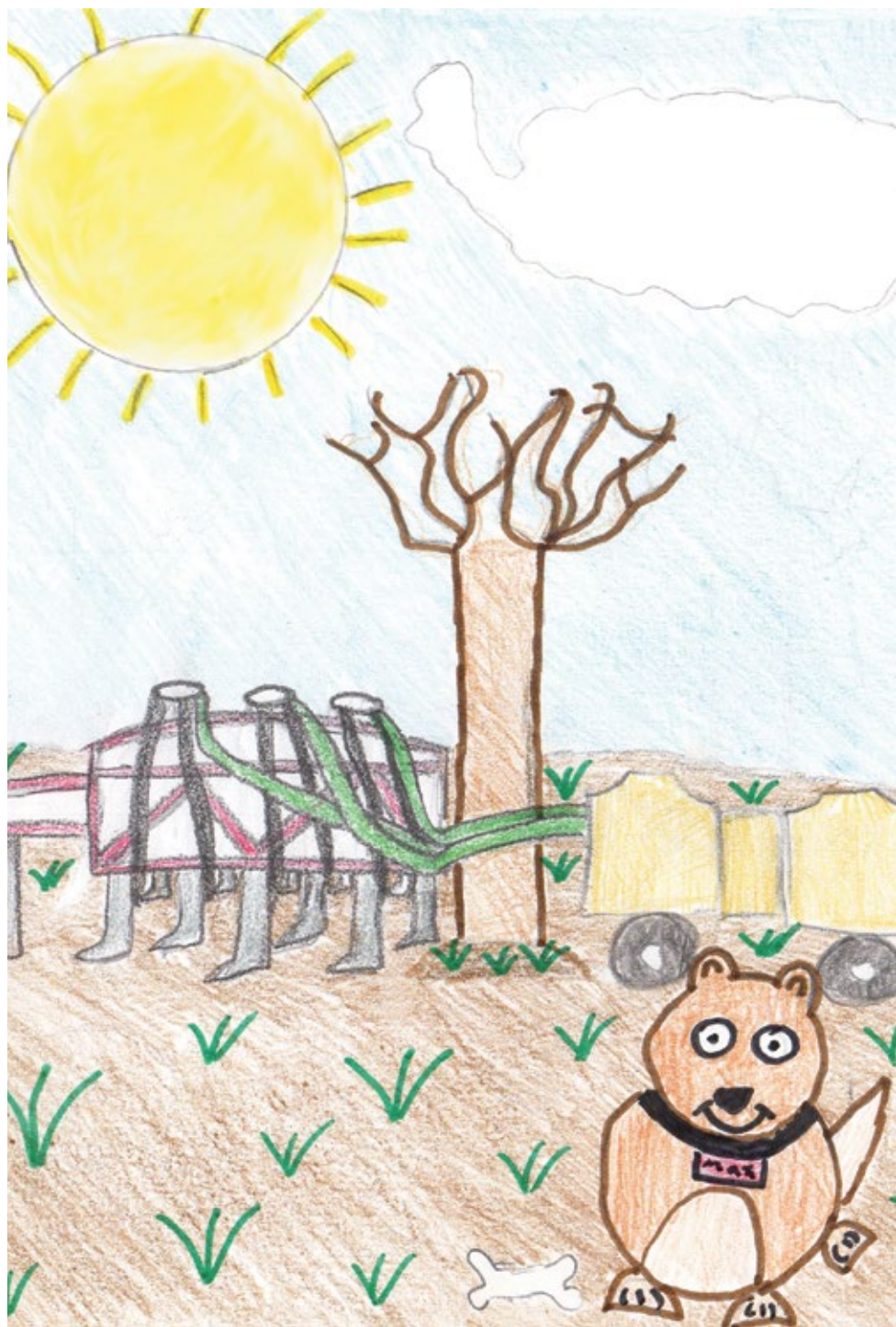
I own it all!



I own the tractor that I sleep under
when it's hot and windy.

Sometimes, just sometimes, I let my
master borrow it to pull, haul and move
machinery around my farm.



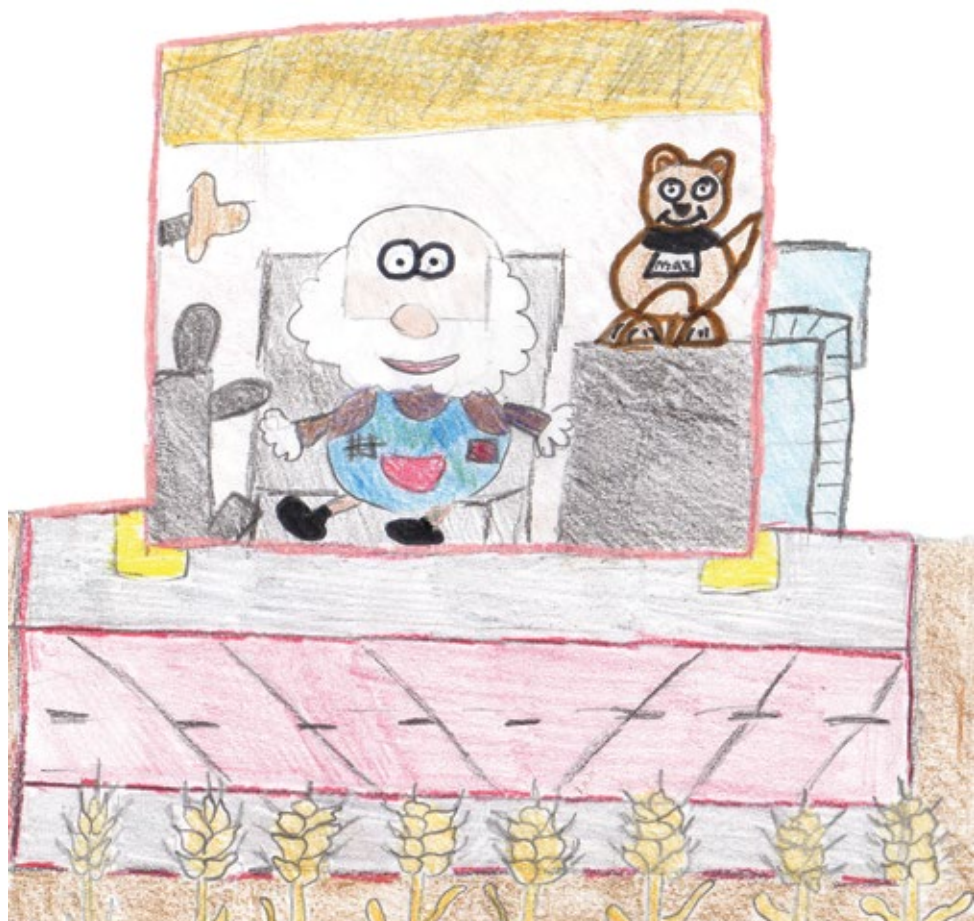


I own the planter that sits next to the
dead tree in the paddock.

Sometimes, just sometimes, I let
my master hook it on to the tractor
and plant seeds like wheat, cotton,
chickpeas, sorghum and faba beans.
These grow into strong, healthy crops.

I own the header too and sometimes,
just sometimes, I let my master use it
to harvest with.

When the harvest is over the crops
are either sent away to be made into
produce or kept in a silo or dry place
until needed.

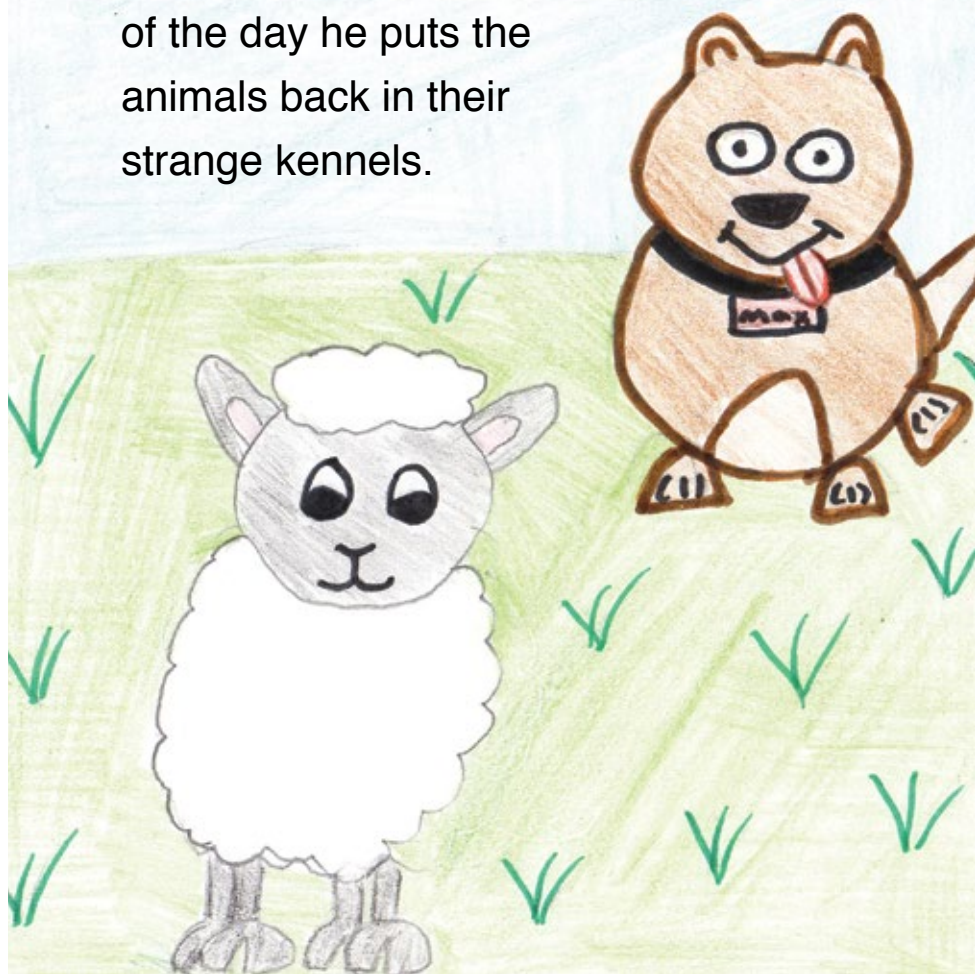





I own that big shed over there.
Sometimes, just sometimes, I let my
master put gadgets and tools inside.
He uses these to help fix and maintain
my farm.

I own all the animals on this farm. I like to chase them around when I'm bored, it's fun!

Sometimes, just sometimes, I let my master shear and sell my sheep, cows, pigs, horses and chickens. At the end of the day he puts the animals back in their strange kennels.





I own the big, shiny metal panels
in the back paddocks. Soon I'm
planning to go and chase the
pigeons away so they are not
scratching them.



Sometimes, just
sometimes, I let my
master go and clean and
check they are giving
power to his kennel.



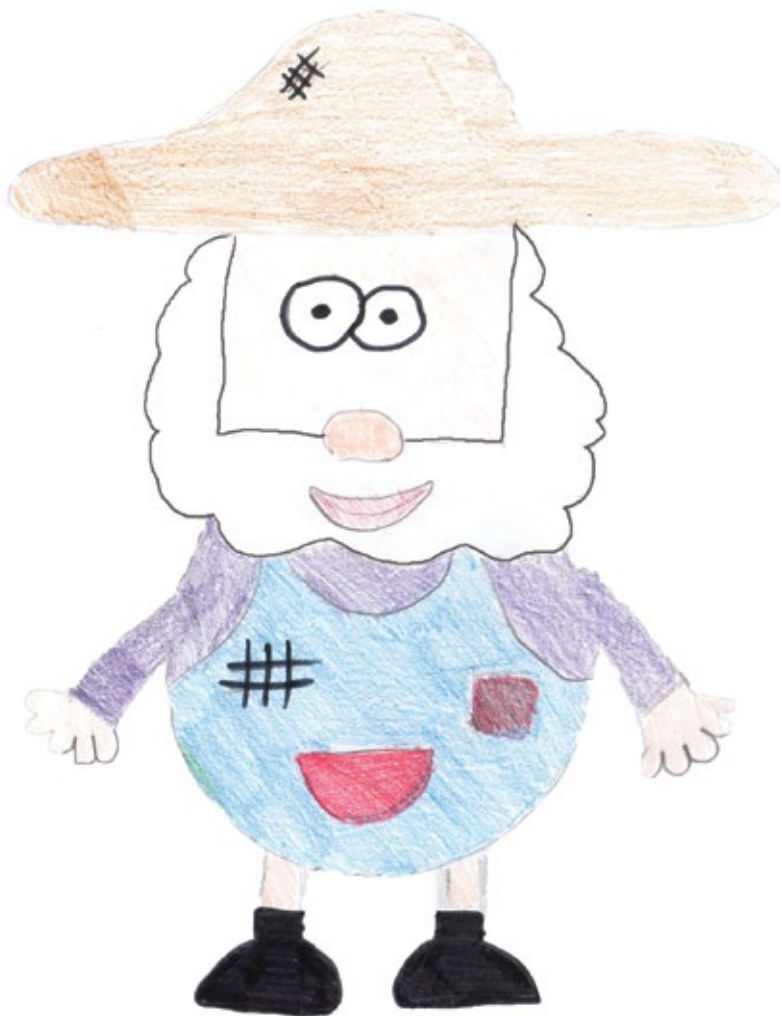
I own the garden at the back of my master's kennel. Maybe once or twice I have accidentally dug it up and buried my bones under my soil or under my flowers.

Sometimes, just sometimes, I let my master in to clean, tidy and plant produce in my garden.



I own my kennel and mat. I sleep in my kennel when it's cold and lie on my mat in the nice afternoon sun.

Sometimes, just sometimes, I let my master sit next to me while we watch the sun go down.



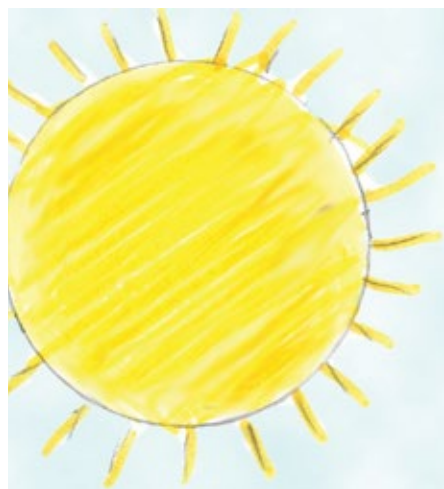
I own my master, he's my master, not
anyone else's. He is mine!

Sometimes, just sometimes, I let my
master run around, go to other places
and spend time with his wife.



I own this farm but...sometimes, just sometimes, I might let my master own some of it too.

Maybe I should, maybe I shouldn't, I don't know!



I own this farm. From
my bone to my master.
I own it all!





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