

### Casey & Friends Book Structure

Each book in the *Casey & Friends* book series is created to be enjoyed on multiple levels by children 4–8 years old. Small children will enjoy looking at the colorful photography and fun illustrations, early readers will enjoy the simple character comments, and advanced readers will learn in-depth science concepts. We've also created fun, hands-on activities that reinforce lessons taught throughout the book!



### 1) Big Picture Ideas

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Casey narrates the main ideas in the book. The information is simple enough for early readers to understand and read for themselves.

### ) Fun Character Details

The cartoon characters explain the details of how their equipment works. The interaction between characters make up the "story" in this non-fiction book.

### ) In-depth Explanations

Tillus simplifies the science of agriculture in the "Tillus Talk" sidebar. Complicated information is explained so advanced readers can understand how science and technology work together in farming.

### Glossary of Terms

A number of words are highlighted throughout the book and defined in the glossary. Many terms include colorful illustrations that help explain their meaning.

### GLOSSARY

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 to help harvest crops and
 gather information





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stick-like hand tool us separate grain seeds f the rest of the plant





### **(5)** Cutaway Drawings

These technical illustrations show what normally cannot be seen – the insides of the equipment and how they work.

### 6 Size 'Em Up Charts

Get a better idea of just how big farm equipment is by comparing it to familiar objects – like Casey and Tillus. These visuals help readers picture the enormity of each piece of equipment.

### 7) Character Commentaries

Throughout each book, characters comment on the visuals and information explained on the page. Every comment gives readers a glimpse into our characters' personalities.

### 8 Fun Facts

At the back of each book, we've included fun and unusual facts that inform and entertain. Readers learn farm trivia that is sure to impress their friends!



### **Meet the Team at Happy Skies Farm!**

Casey & Friends is a series of educational books that introduce children to modern farming, with a focus on science and technology. Narrated by Casey the farmer, Tillus the worm, Big Red the tractor, and a whole cast of cartoon equipment characters, the books incorporate colorful action photography with informational content – making them entertaining as well as educational.



Casey the Farmer is knowledgeable about all aspects of farming. She manages Happy Skies Farm and takes care of her team of machines.



Tillus the Worm likes to teach others about the relationship between nature and farming. He also checks the daily weather forecast for Casey.



**Big Red the Tractor** pulls and powers farm equipment with his muscles. Casey relies on him to work in the fields.



Fern Farmall helps

Casey take care of

Maxx the Maxxum

is a cheery, lovable, kind-hearted hero. He is polite and kind to everyone he meets.



Frankie Farmall works in the farmyard doing many different types of jobs. He uses different tools, called attachments, to get each job done.



Cody Combine harvests Casey's corn fields. He is one of the most complicated machines on Happy Skies Farm.



Evan the Planter has

many different parts

planting seeds in the

right place. He never

that work together

misses a seed!



Kellie Combine harvests Casey's grain fields. Kellie can harvest many different types of crops, including wheat, soybeans and rye.



Sammy Steiger is the biggest tractor on Happy Skies Farm. Casey depends on his strength to pull and power heavy equipment.







Tammi Tiller prepares the fields for planting seeds. Sammy Steiger pulls her through the fields as she breaks the soil into small clumps.



Bailey the Baler packages freshly cut crops into large, tight bales. Big Red pulls Bailey along neatly raked rows of grain and grasses to do his job.



Dave the Drone is very detail-oriented. He loves to travel and take in all of the sights.

# Tech on the Farm with Casey & Friends



**Tech on the Farm** introduces children to modern farming. Narrated by Casey the farmer, Tillus the worm, and Casey's team of farm equipment, this book teaches children how technology gives farmers the ability to control the entire crop production cycle. From gathering data during harvest to decision making for the next season, Tech on the Farm explains how farmers use technology to observe, measure, make plans, and take action.

- Age Range: 4-8 years
- Product Format: 9×9-inch hardcover
- Pages: 32 pages

# Busy on the Farm with Casey & Friends



**Busy on the Farm** teaches children how Frankie and Fern—Casey's hardworking Farmall tractors—feed, clean, and take care of animals while maintaining Happy Skies Farm. Learn the science and art of haymaking with Bailey the baler. And, follow Casey and the team through a busy day of chores.

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## A Year on the Farm with Casey & Friends



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A Year on the Farm introduces children to the world of modern farming, showing the tractors, combines, and other equipment needed to plant and harvest crops. The book is filled with photographs of equipment at work and a cast of illustrated characters including Casey the farmer, Tillus the worm, and a whole team of equipment characters. Casey and her farm equipment friends teach readers about the different jobs a farmer does each season. Children will learn that modern farming involves planning for the farm year, reacting to the weather, and working hard as a team.

- Age Range: 4–8 years
- Product Format: 9×9-inch hardcover
- Pages: 32 pages

# Big Tractors with Casey & Friends



*Big Tractors* shows kids how the biggest, most powerful tractors handle the demanding jobs of pulling and powering on the farm. Readers see Big Red and Sammy, the biggest tractors on the farm, use their powerful muscles to work in the field with the rest of the team. Kids learn about the science of farming and discover how advanced technology makes Big Red and Sammy special.

- Age Range: 4–8 years
- Product Format: 9×9-inch hardcover
- Pages: 32 pages



### Combines with Casey & Friends



*Combines* introduces children to the world of modern farm equipment—showing how the most complex machines on the farm work to harvest crops. This book is filled with colorful action photographs, fun illustrations, and a cast of cartoon equipment characters. Narrated by Casey the farmer and Tillus the worm, *Combines* teaches readers how Cody and Kellie—the combines of Happy Skies Farm—harvest crops by gathering, separating, and unloading grain and corn. Learn about the science of farming and discover how their technology makes Cody and Kellie amazing!

- Age Range: 4–8 years
- Product Format: 9×9-inch hardcover
- Pages: 32 pages



## Planters & Cultivators with Casey & Friends



Planters & Cultivators introduces children to the world of modern farming and the specialized equipment used to cultivate, plant, and spray crops. This book is filled with colorful action photographs, fun illustrations, and a cast of cartoon equipment characters. Narrated by Casey the farmer and Tillus the worm, *Planters & Cultivators* teaches readers how Tammi the tiller, Evan the planter, and Peter the sprayer work hard to get the spring planting done on Happy Skies Farm. Learn about the science of soil and how Casey's team takes good care of it!

- Age Range: 4-8 years
- Product Format: 9×9-inch hardcover
- Pages: 32 pages



### Casey's Bright Red Christmas with Casey & Friends

It's Christmas time at Happy Skies Farm! Tillus the worm, Big Red, Sammy, and the rest of the team are excited to celebrate the season. But Casey the farmer is busy working: feeding animals, repairing fences, and planning for the year ahead. With so much to do, Casey wonders if she'll have time to prepare for the holidays. That's when Tillus and the team unite to make this Christmas extra special for their busy friend.

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