# Classroom Discussion and Activity Guide

Extension Activity: Reflection—Text-to-Self; Text-to-World

Extension Activity: Social Studies—Dream Job

Paisley & Peck: Jurassic Farm by J. Torres, illustrated by Mike Deas

The first book in a riotous graphic novel series following two misfit barnyard friends

Paisley and Peck think about their futures and try to find Peck an alternative to becoming the farm's alarm clock.



ISBN: 9781771476409 Ages 6 to 9; Grade: 1-3

### **Before Reading:**

- Look at the cover. What can you guess about the characters? What will the story will be about?
- · What do you know about pigs? What do you know about roosters and chickens?

## After Reading:

### Reflection—Text-to-Self

- Paisley refuses to eat slop. He wants good food! Discuss your favorite and least favorite foods.
- Paisley and Peck behave differently than they're expected to. Have you ever made a decision that was different from your friends? What happened? How did you feel?

### Reflection—Text-to-World

• On the farm, different animals are friends, have fun together, and help each other. In our community, why is it good for people of different backgrounds and cultures to come together?



### **CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS**

Text Forms: Comedic Text

Language Arts: Visual Literacy; Dialog

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness

Character Education: Individuality; Courage

Social Studies: Careers

#### **READING LEVELS**

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Lexile® Measure: GN520L

Common Core: BL 2, W 2, SL 2, L

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### **SOCIAL STUDIES: DREAM JOB**

When they grow up, Paisley wants to be a food critic and Peck wants to be a dinosaur. What is your dream job? Create a poster and share with your classmates. Use this mindmap to help you brainstorm important information about your job.



