

A New Beginning

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Jack moves from the city to the country in this epic story of hard times, romance, and flying pigs!

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1 - The Headache

Jack awoke from his nap. Outside, the hustle and bustle of city life noisily went on. Cars were honking, crashes were heard, and there was always the occasional motorcycle driver going by. As Jack woke up, he found himself with a headache. `Ugh, it's so noisy outside. It certainly won't help with my headache' Jack thought.

Knock! Knock! Knock! The door was pounded on. Jack rushed through his small apartment to the door. He looked through the peek hole to see his friend, Keith. "Come on in, Keith." Said Jack as he opened the door. Keith came in with a Carterville Angels baseball cap on, a plain white t-shirt, and baggy jeans.

"Gee, living in Carterville is seriously big business." Said Keith, as he popped a peanut into his mouth. "Don't forget noisy too!" added Jack, "Keith, I am seriously considering moving to the country, where it's quiet and you can actually see stars. I really want to, but I have not found a good place to move to yet." Keith sat on the chair with his mouth wide open. He was in such shock that he couldn't talk, but only spat out stutters and weird noises.

"TO THE COUNTRY??? All that's out there is a bunch of boring old farms! You don't want to live on a farm, do you???" Keith yelled. Jack sighed, and replied "Keith, I'm afraid so. The city life's too noisy and busy for me. It's like all I do is wake up, go to work, come home, eat, and then sleep. It's too routine for me."

Keith, being the friend he is, decided not to continue arguing and to start supporting his friend's idea. They looked online for property out in Mineral Town, a small, quiet place. After many weeks of searching, they found a small farm that was for sale. Jack was very excited. He clicked on the button that offered more info. Jack liked the description, so he called the owner and bought the land. What really surprised him was the price. It was so cheap. But Jack forgot that, considering he was so excited about his new quiet home.

2 - The Day has Come

The day had come. Jack was packed and ready to move out of his now smelly and cramped apartment. He loaded the extra suitcases into the back of his SUV and started to drive out. The road began smooth, but as he approached the country, the road had become more bumpy and rocky. He thanked the lord for giving him an off-road vehicle and continued.

The road was very long and boring, too. After three hours of driving, he saw the sign that said that he was coming near Mineral Town. It would take another hour to get to the destination, but it was worth it. He got to the town's main road and pulled in.

Jack exited his car with his suitcases. Man, were they heavy! He tripped and fell face first into a pile of dirt. He was already becoming agitated of the country. But then, a hand held his and pulled him up. He got up, and saw a red headed girl with long braids and overalls. "Well hello, stranger! I'm Anne! And you must be the new owner of the old farm!" Jack replied, "Why, yes! Yes I am, and I'm Jack. Nice to meet you." He shook Anne's hand. Anne helped with Jack's suitcases and went up to the farm.

When Jack got there, all he saw was a cottage, a small river, and an un-kept field. "Am I at the wrong place?" said Jack shakily. "Of course you ain't!" Anne exclaimed. "Or are you another customer not buying.

Jack was stumped. He wanted to live a quiet life, but not one that he had to work for. But he didn't want to go back to the city, either. It was too noisy and cramped.

"Sigh...alright, I'll stay." Mumbled Jack. "YEEEEEEEEEEHAW!!!!" yelled Anne with all her might. "We should have a celebration for this momentous occasion!"

3 - The Wallet

The party had begun. All of Anne's family had come over to Jack's new home and brought cheese, crackers, and soda for a small housewarming party. After about fifteen minutes passed, a girl with light brown hair and blonde frontal highlights entered. Jack was baffled by her beauty and grace. She was...perfect. "Uh, hello...?" the girl questioned Jack, who was in a trance. Jack snapped out of the trance and stuttered, "H-h-h-hello. I-I-I'm J-Jack." He shakily shook hands with the girl "Well then, I'm K-K-Karen," mocking Jack funnily, "Nice to meet you."

As the evening progressed, many more people came. The names of the people were Gary, Popuri, Mary, the Doctor, Elli, Gwen, Kai, and Cliff.

Nearing midnight, partygoers started to head home. Many guests said how much fun the night was.

When all guests had left, Jack was tired. He went into the bathroom, brushed his teeth, used the bathroom, and headed for bed. Jack got the night sleep he had wished for, ever since the city life became annoying.

Around midnight, Jack had woken up to use the bathroom. He headed for the bathroom slowly and painfully. When he opened the door to the bathroom, he saw a wallet on the side of the sink. It was pink, and was lined with rhinestones on the sides. Jack picked up the wallet. He had to open the wallet to see whom it belonged to. Inside were at least 5 credit cards, a couple of dollars, and a driver's license showing Karen's picture. He saw the license and knew it was Karen's. Still tired and a bit drowsy, he decided to return the wallet when he woke up the next morning.

At around 8:00 in the morning, the door went knock, knock, knock. Jack had been awake at the time and was enjoying his favorite TV sitcom, Blue Cows from the Local Laboratory. He got up, and opened the door to see Karen standing there, crying. "I can't find my wallet! What am I gonna do?!?" Jack went to his table, got the wallet, and headed back. "Is this your wallet?" asked Jack. Karen stopped crying.

"Th...this is my wallet! Oh my gosh, thank you SO much!" Karen hugged him very tight. When she let go, she said, "The winery. 8:30 at night. Wanna come?" Jack was baffled. Did she just ask him out on a date? Yes, she did! "Sure!" Jack replied, "I'll see you there!"

4 - Wine and Dine

Karen was at the winery. A couple of others were there, too, but Jack mainly focused on Karen, who used hand motions to signal Jack to her table. Jack pulled out a chair and sat down. "So uh...you moved from big-business Carterville, eh?" asked Karen. Jack was a little freaked out. He had told no one where he was from. "Uh, yes. I'm from Carterville. How did you know?" Jack replied. Karen looked deeper into his eyes, and said, "I know, because all of the other guys who wanted to purchase your farm were from Carterville, too."

The evening went along very smoothly. Karen and Jack got into a serious discussion about how much of a stink hole Cartersville was. The discussion went on until 10:00, when Karen and Jack were both tired out. Jack offered to walk Karen home, which Karen seemed to be very pleased about. As they were walking home, they saw some constellations and talked about stars. Karen seemed to know a whole lot about stars. She was very smart about this topic and went on and on, giving Jack interesting facts about stars.

When they got to Karen's house, they stood on the front porch. "I had a great time tonight." Said Karen. "Me too." Replied Jack. They stood there for about 10 seconds, when Karen leaned in to kiss Jack. Jack did the same, and a big-time romance was born.