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1. *T* *F* Their teacher was scheduled to stay at the Wilder house for two weeks.
2. *T* *F* All of the children had to sit by ages in alphabetical order. The big stove was right in the middle.
3. *T* *F* Almanzo and Royal were tired from school and they went about their chores slowly.
4. *T* *F* Almanzo was not strong enough to milk the "hardmilkers", but he could milk Blossom and Bossy.
5. *T* *F* Royal broke off a piece of the pie, before Eliza Jane could catch him.
6. *T* *F* Mr. Ritchie told everyone in town that the big boys were going to learn to love the teacher. He even stopped to tell Mr. Wilder on the way home.
7. *T* *F* Almanzo does not have to go to school on his birthday because there are more important things to do.
8. *T* *F* Almanzo is disappointed that his father does not think he is "old enough to do important things all by himself."
9. *T* *F* John cut a section 20 inches wide, 20 feet long, and 20 inches thick.
10. *T* *F* Almanzo was tempted not to take a bath and just put on clean underwear, but he was sure his father would check when he went into the dining room.
11. *T* *F* Almanzo did not empty his bathtub, because he might catch cold if he went outside while he was wet from his bath.

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12. *T* *F* Almanzo could not do anything for the entire two hours of the sermon. He couldn't fidget, yawn, or talk.
13. *T* *F* At noon, Father said that Almanzo had to keep working with the calves all day long.
14. *T* *F* Almanzo told his father everything that had happened with the bobsled and the calves.
15. *T* *F* Almanzo hated the taste of wintergreen berries.
16. *T* *F* Almanzo had to harrow each of the fields 1 time in a single direction to prepare the soil for the seeds.
17. *T* *F* Almanzo made a hole, dropped in two grains of corn, and then covered and patted the hole.
18. *T* *F* The tin-peddler's cart was just like a little house on four wheels.
19. *T* *F* Father hitched the colts to the buggy and let the horse-buyer take them on a ride.
20. *T* *F* Mother is so worried about having the money in the house, that she keeps moving it to make sure it is in a safe place.
21. *T* *F* Last week, in Saranac, a man had sold a team of horses only to have robbers break in during the night and steal his money.
22. *T* *F* Father and Lazy John were not good sheep-shears they could not get all of the fine wool without cutting the sheep.
23. *T* *F* Almanzo boasted that he got all of the fleeces upstairs before the men had sheared all of the sheep.
24. *T* *F* Mother woke up Royal and Almanzo in the middle of the night, because the corn field was on fire.

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25. *T* *F* Even though they watered three acres of corn, they still lost a quarter of an acre.
26. *T* *F* Almanzo was very sad when none of the important men stopped to shake his Father's hand.
27. *T* *F* Almanzo's cousin Frank bragged that his father would give him anything he asked for. Frank dared Almanzo to ask his father for a quarter.
28. *T* *F* Father gave Almanzo a half-dollar and said that he could either buy a lemonade or a baby pig.
29. *T* *F* Even though Mother said that it was good growing weather, Almanzo did not think he was growing any at all.
30. *T* *F* Uncle Wesley and Frank were going to come out and stay with the children while Mother and Father were gone.
31. *T* *F* The children ate the whole cake and almost all of the ice-cream before noon. There was no one to tell them not to eat so much.
32. *T* *F* Eliza Jane ran to the pasture when she saw Almanzo in with the excited horses.
33. *T* *F* When Eliza Jane called Lucy a dirty old pig, Almanzo argued that pigs were the cleanest animals there were.
34. *T* *F* Mother was very upset that the children had eaten all of the sugar. She told them that they would be allowed no more sweets for a week.
35. *T* *F* Almanzo walked slowly with the pail full of egg-nog. He was sure that it would be a sin to spill it.
36. *T* *F* First Almanzo shocked the oats and the wheat. Then, he had to shock the field of oats and Canada peas.

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37. *T* *F* Mother's butter had layers of color, some darker and some lighter. She knew it would catch a good price.
38. *T* *F* Mother was worried about having all that money in the house overnight.
39. *T* *F* One bruised apple will spoil a whole bin of apples.
40. *T* *F* Mother told Almanzo to make a bonfire of dry potato-tops to keep warm.
41. *T* *F* Both of Almanzo's eyelids and his cheek were injured. Father tied a handkerchief around his head.
42. *T* *F* The Harvest was very good that year. They couldn't even fit it all in the barns.
43. *T* *F* Father allowed Almanzo to bet on the shell game. He said it was a great way to win money.
44. *T* *F* Almanzo was sure that if Father had brought Starlight to the fair, he would definitely take the prize.
45. *T* *F* When Almanzo went into the dining-room, it was already packed. But they found one large table that would hold their whole family.
46. *T* *F* Almanzo watched as the judge place a 2nd place ribbon on his pumpkin.
47. *T* *F* Father called that first dusting of snow a poor man's fertilizer because it helped the soil before the ground froze.
48. *T* *F* Father and Joe hung all of the meat in the root cellar so that it would stay frozen all winter.
49. *T* *F* The girls ripped apart their old dresses and sewed them inside out so that they would look new again.

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50. *T* *F* Almanzo loved having Mother and Father to himself. He did not miss his brother and sisters one bit.
51. *T* *F* Father said that they must find two trees exactly alike for the runners.
52. *T* *F* Father said that since they would need to be inside tomorrow, they should begin threshing the wheat.
53. *T* *F* Almanzo told his father that he should hire a machine to do the threshing, but his father refused to do so.
54. *T* *F* Father says, "All it saves is time, son. And what good is time, with nothing to do?"
55. *T* *F* Almanzo was very proud that he was big enough to help take care of the farm work now.
56. *T* *F* For Christmas, the whole family gathered at Grandmother and Grandfather's house.
57. *T* *F* Almanzo was excited that the children were served first for Christmas dinner.
58. *T* *F* When school opened in January, Almanzo had to go to school. His father hired help to haul wood from the timber.
59. *T* *F* Almanzo had to have Pierre and Louis help him to put the large yoke on Star and Bright because they were too big for his small yoke.
60. *T* *F* Almanzo is now 10 years old with his own oxen and sled. He is going to work hard at hauling wood for his father.
61. *T* *F* When Father asked Almanzo whether or not he was hurt, Almanzo lied and said his stomach hurt. He was scared to work with the logs again.

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62. *T* *F* Almanzo had to run back to the barn to get a shovel and get the team out of the ditch.
63. *T* *F* Almanzo's team remembered having to move over. When they met Father's sled, the young oxen moved over and the sled turned over and lost its load.
64. *T* *F* Almanzo didn't think that he needed to go back to school, but Father said he needed more skills if he wanted to be a farmer.
65. *T* *F* Almanzo was allowed to use Father's favorite horse, Beauty, to help bale the hay.
66. *T* *F* Almanzo found a black pocketbook along the road just beyond the Trout River Bridge.
67. *T* *F* Almanzo knew to ask the liveryman for less than he was willing to take for each bale. That way, the liveryman would think he was generous and offer a larger amount.
68. *T* *F* While Father waited in line at Mr. Case's store, he sent Almanzo to find Mr. Thompson and return the pocketbook.
69. *T* *F* Father is reluctant for Almanzo to keep the money, but Mr. Paddock says that Almanzo is entitled to it.
70. *T* *F* Almanzo thought that working for Mr. Paddock would be interesting. He liked the idea of making wagons.
71. *T* *F* Mother liked the idea of Almanzo working for Mr. Paddock. She thought that Almanzo would earn some valuable skills by working for others.
72. *T* *F* While Mother was worrying over Almanzo's future, he was busy savoring his large slice of pumpkin pie.

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