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Yawn! It is time for school! I wish I could see what it would be like to be a student in a one room schoolhouse. Each morning I always see the school house and I wonder what it's like from the pictures I saw, I would like to try it. I love old fashioned things and trying to do school like in the old days would be fun. I think I would like to try to go to school in a one room schoolhouse!

I would like to have all the kids in one room so we can learn from each other and play together. I could have my brother and sisters together with me. Sometimes that would be fun but I guess other times I would get tired of seeing them. But right now, I don't get to see them during the day at all so I would like it. Having all the kids together I could learn from the older kids and they could help the teacher with the younger kids too. The kids in a one room school house also got to do cool jobs like cook and take care of things we don't get to take care of at school now. We could even be asked to get a bucket of water from a well! I think it would be fun and cozy to all be together.

I would also like to have one teacher because then it would be like having a mom in the classroom. We would get to know her really well and see her every day. She would be able to teach us all different things. Maybe she could even teach us sewing and other skills. Also, she would know us really well. She would know what things we liked to do and were good at so we could help her too. Also, she would have to find ways to teach us altogether so we could be like a family learning together. All the different ages would work together to learn.

Next time I see the red schoolhouse at Franklin Township School, I will think of all these reasons why I would like to go to school there and dream about what it would be like! Maybe one day soon I can take a real tour and even have a class there!