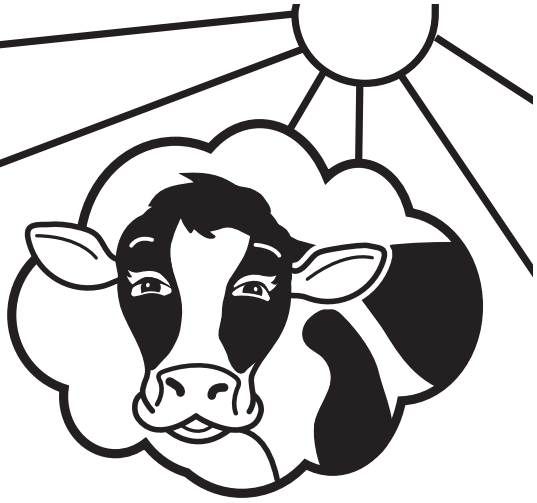
MILK FROM FARM TO TABLE



Getting to Know Cows

All animals have different body parts and different habits that help them survive and thrive. Think about what you learned about dairy cows in the *Milk from Farm to Table* DVD.

Are these statements **True** or **False**?

____ 1. All cows are mammals.

____ 2. A baby cow is called a colt.

____ 3. All cows are girls. Boys are called bulls.

____ 4. Cows have hair, teeth and eyelashes.

____ 5. Holsteins (black and white cows) are the only cows that make milk.

____ 6. A cow stores milk in her udder.

____ 7. Cows weigh almost 100 pounds when they are born.

____ 8. Cows need exercise, just like humans do.

____ 9. Cows eat cowpies.

____ 10. Cows get used to the habit of being milked. They like it.

____ 11. Cows have three stomachs.

____ 12. A cow has her first calf when she is about 2 years old.

____ 13. Cows like to lay down to rest.

____ 14. When a cow brings up some food she has already eaten from her stomach back into her mouth, then rechews it, it's called "chewing her mud".

____ 15. Cows wear ear tags and leg bands because they like to look pretty.

That's right! All animals are different in some ways and alike in other ways.

How are cows like humans?

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How are cows different from humans?

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Answer Key: 1 – True, 2 – False, it's called a calf, 3 – True, 4 – True, 5 – False, all breeds of cows make milk, 6 – True, 7 – True, 8 – True, 9 – False, cows eat grassy hay and cornstalks and TMR (total mixed ration), 10 – True, 11 – False, they have four stomachs, 12 – True, 13 – True, 14 False, it's called chewing her cud, 15 – False, ear tags and leg bands help farmers identify individual cows

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