

2nd Grade Teacher Key

Informational Reading Passage: Parts of a Dairy Cow

Complements Mobile Dairy Classroom assembly

Common Core: RI.2.10 By the end of year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, in the grades 2–3 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

Title of Passage: Parts of a Dairy Cow Lexile Level: 650L		Grade: 2	
Text Type: Informational		MDC Topics: parts of a dairy cow; similarities and differences; care and feeding	
Questions		Skill	Common Core Standards – Grade 2
1. What is the main topic of this passage? How cow parts and people parts are similar and different.		main topic	RI.2.2 Identify the main topic of a multi-paragraph text as well as the focus of specific paragraphs within the text.
2. The author makes the point that some cow parts have the same names as people parts. Reasons that support that point are given in the chart. Name three cow parts that have the same name as people parts. Accept any from the left column.		reasons to support a point	RI.2.8 Describe how reasons support specific points the author makes in a text.
3. Both cows and people have a stomach. What did you learn about the cow stomach from the diagram? the cow stomach has four compartments		chart contributes to text	RI.2.7 Explain how specific images (e.g., a diagram showing how a machine works) contribute to and clarify a text.
4. What does the author want you to know about people parts and cow parts? there are similarities and differences between them; some cow parts have the same name as people parts but look differently; some parts belong only to cows		author's purpose	RI.2.6 Identify the main purpose of a text, including what the author wants to answer, explain or describe.
5. Draw a picture of a cloven hoof. Needs to show a separation (two toes) 		image helps clarify a term	RI.2.7 Explain how specific images (e.g., a diagram showing how a machine works) contribute to and clarify a text.
Does a cow or a person have a cloven hoof? Cow			