## 'A Cow's Life':

#### Main Idea and Supporting Details Sort

#### **Teacher Directions**

Cut out all the cards and mix them up. Have students read the "A Cow's Life" comic and then use the text to match each main idea card with the supporting detail cards.

#### Main Idea 1

Some people don't know where leather comes from.

#### Main Idea 2

Bailey felt miserable living on the factory farm.

## Main Idea 3

Calves were crammed into a truck and taken on a scary journey.

## Main Idea 4

People at the sanctuary took care of Bailey.





#### **Supporting Detail**



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LEATHER IS A BIG BUSINESS.
MOST LEATHER COMES FROM
COWS WHO ARE TREATED
BADLY ON GIANT "FACTORY
FARMS." EVERY TIME YOU BUY
LEATHER, YOU'RE MAKING
ANIMALS SUFFER.

THEY WANTED HIS FLESH TO BE PALE AND HIS MUSCLES WEAK, SO THEY CHAINED HIM INSIDE A DARK CRATE THAT WAS BARELY ANY BIGGER THAN HIS BODY AND FED HIM LIQUIDS THAT DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH NUTRIENTS IN THEM.



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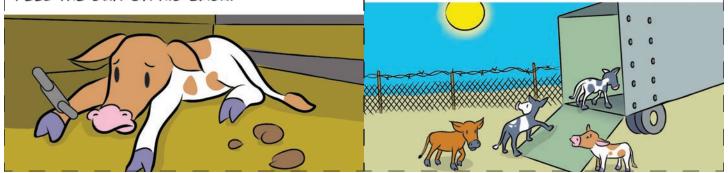


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ALL BAILEY DID WAS LIE IN THE DARK ALL DAY AND NIGHT FEELING SCARED, LONELY, AND SICK. HE ACHED FOR FREEDOM AND EXERCISE, BUT HE NEVER EVEN GOT TO FEEL THE SUN ON HIS BACK.

THE FIRST TIME HE EVER SAW THE SUN WAS WHEN THEY CRAMMED HIM AND HIS FELLOW CALVES INTO A TRUCK WHEN HE WAS JUST 5 MONTHS OLD.





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THE CALVES TRAVELED FOR A LONG TIME IN THE COLD, AND BY THE TIME THE TRUCK STOPPED, SOME CALVES HAD FALLEN OVER AND BEEN STEPPED ON BY MISTAKE BY THE OTHERS. BAILEY WAS SO TIRED, WEAK, AND HURT FROM BEING STEPPED ON THAT HE COULDN'T EVEN STAND UP.

ALL THE CALVES WERE SCARED AND DIDN'T WANT TO GET OFF THE TRUCK, SO WORKERS POKED THEM WITH ELECTRIC PRODS THAT MADE THEM CRY OUT IN PAIN.





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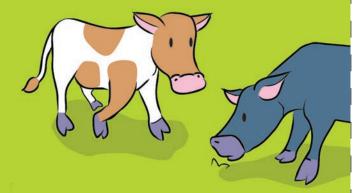


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LUCKILY, SOME KIND PEOPLE FOUND HIM AND BROUGHT HIM HERE, WHERE WE NURSED HIM BACK TO HEALTH. NOW HE CAN GRAZE IN A PASTURE ALL DAY AND PLAY IN THE SUN WITH HIS FRIEND JIMMY.







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# Main Idea and Supporting Details Sort **Answer Sheet**

<b>Note:</b> Students can record the supporting details in any order.
Main Idea 1: Some people don't know where leather comes from.  Supporting Details: ♡, ⊡, ○
<b>Main Idea 2:</b> Bailey felt miserable living on the factory farm. <b>Supporting Details:</b> $\Box$ , $\triangle$
<b>Main Idea 3:</b> Calves were crammed into a truck and taken on a scary journey. <b>Supporting Details:</b> $\Box$ , $\odot$ , $\odot$
Main Idea 4: People at the sanctuary took care of Bailey.  Supporting Details: □, △



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