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# A Cow's Life

Fill in the Blanks. Read the statements below and write in the word that best fits the sentence.

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1. Cows have unique personalities and a wide range of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(emotions, diseases)
  2. Cows often form lifelong \_\_\_\_\_ with one another, sometimes choosing their buddies the same day that they are born.  
(friendships, rivalries)
  3. Cows can see color and can tell people apart by their shapes and the colors that they wear.  
Cows are \_\_\_\_\_.  
(smart, slow)
  4. Cruelty-free clothing is not made from \_\_\_\_\_.  
(animals, cotton)
  5. Baby cows who are taken from their mothers at birth are raised to produce \_\_\_\_\_.  
(hot dogs, veal)
  6. There are many alternatives to \_\_\_\_\_ products.  
(leather, human)
  7. \_\_\_\_\_ products can be made to look like leather.  
(Synthetic, Genuine)
  8. \_\_\_\_\_ have loving mothers who stay close to them their entire lives.  
(Calves, Dolls)
  9. Cows can live as long as \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
(25, 5, 10)
  10. Soy milk is a healthy and tasty alternative to \_\_\_\_\_ milk.  
(cow's, grass)

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Answers: 1. emotions; 2. friendships; 3. smart; 4. animals; 5. veal; 6. leather; 7. Synthetic; 8. Calves; 9. 25; 10. cow's

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## Discussion and Reading Questions

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1. Which character in the comic book did you most relate to? Explain what you liked best about this character.
  2. Were you surprised to learn that cows show emotions? Why or why not?
  3. Describe how Bailey was saved and the conditions that he lived in before he was rescued.
  4. What animal-free clothes do you like to wear?
  5. There is a strong bond between a cow and her calf. Give examples of similar bonds in nature, and explain why are such bonds impossible on factory farms.
  6. According to Jan, which companies offer leather-free alternatives?
  7. When Zach asked Elizabeth, "Is leather better for the environment?" what did she tell him?
  8. As Elizabeth describes Bailey's story, she says, "Since Bailey couldn't walk by himself, they dragged him out of the truck and left him in a nearby field. Luckily, some kind people found him and brought him here ..." What would you do if you saw an animal such as Bailey in need?
  9. What are some ways to help cows in your daily life?
  10. Write a fictional story about an animal rescue in which you are a main character.

