Dairy Project Area Guide
Intermediate

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Unit 1: Breed

Project Outcomes Addressed:
• Describe the origins of the seven main breeds of dairy cattle.
• Identify three commonly used dairy species and explain why they are commonly used.
• Identify and describe two minor dairy cattle breeds.

You will need:
• Pencil
• Access to the internet

Activities in this unit:
1. Name That Breed!
2. Pin the Breed on the Map
3. Dairy Species
4. What’s in a Breed?

Breed Overview

The United States of America recognizes seven different dairy cattle breeds. Can you name them all below? Each breed has different genetic traits, characteristics and origins. In this unit, you will name the seven different breeds, locate their origins, describe breed characteristics and even name three different dairy species.
Activity 1.1

Name That Breed!
Can you name all seven dairy cattle breeds?

1. ______________________  2. ______________________

3. ______________________  4. ______________________

5. ______________________  6. ______________________

7. ______________________
Activity 1.2

Pin the Breed on the Map

Draw a line from each breed to the location of its origin. Some breeds may originate from the same location.
Activity 1.3

Dairy Species

Name three species that provide dairy products.

1. _____________  
2. _____________  
3. _____________  

Each of the three species are known to produce certain dairy products. List a product that each species is known to produce. Do not repeat a product.

a. _____________  

b. _____________  

c. _____________  

# Activity 1.4

What's in a Breed?

Below are some characteristics and genetic traits specific to six minor breeds. The objective is to identify and describe two minor dairy breeds. After reading choose two minor breeds and make an infographic to describe them.

<table>
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<th>Breed</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td><strong>Danish Red</strong></td>
<td>Major dairy cattle breed in northern Europe</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Solid red color</td>
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<td></td>
<td>When crossbred with Holstein Friesian, they produce yielding milk with high butterfat and protein</td>
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<td><strong>Fleckvieh</strong></td>
<td>Originated in central Europe in the 19th century</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Considered a dual breed • Can be used for both dairy and beef</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Can be solid red or red pied and can be polled or horned</td>
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<td>Bulls have a faster growth rate allowing for slaughter at earlier times</td>
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<td><strong>Dexter Cattle</strong></td>
<td>Small frame (roughly 600 to 700 pounds)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Can be red, black, or dun (brown) colored</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Originated in Ireland</td>
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<td>Similar to a jersey, milk is rich and high in butterfat</td>
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<td>Very maternal</td>
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<td><strong>Montbéliarde</strong></td>
<td>Originated in eastern France</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Large dairy frame cattle (roughly 1,300 to 1,500 pounds)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Milk protein is well suited for cheesemaking</td>
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<td>Known for better longevity, fertility, and lower cell counts</td>
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<td><strong>Lakenvelder</strong></td>
<td>Originated in the Netherlands</td>
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<td>Derives from Gurtenvieh or belted Braunvieh cattle</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Also known as Dutch Belted</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Become endangered during the last century</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Norwegian Red</strong></td>
<td>Known for selective broad breeding with increasing emphasis on functional traits like health and fertility</td>
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<td>Developed in 1935 in Norway</td>
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<td>Large frame (1,410 to 1,500 pounds)</td>
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<td>Can be red or black and white</td>
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Extra Sources

Breed Characteristics and Origins:

- More information:
  

- Games:
  
  Link: https://www.purposegames.com/game/dairy-breeds
  Link: https://www.purposegames.com/game/dairy-cattle-breeds-quiz-game
  Link: https://www.purposegames.com/game/dairy-breeds-and-their-characteristics

Dairy Species:

- More information:
  
  Link: https://animalsmart.org/feeding-the-world/products-from-animals#:~:text=Dairy%20cows%20are%20another%20type,cream%20cheese%20and%20condensed%20milk.
Answer Key
Unit 1: Breed

**Activity 1.1**
1. Guernsey
2. Jersey
3. Shorthorn
4. Holstein
5. Ayrshire
6. Brown Swiss
7. Red and White

**Activity 1.2**
- Europe
- Isle of Jersey
- Europe
- Isle of Guernsey
- United States and Canada
- Switzerland
- Scotland

**Activity 1.3**
*Any order is correct
1. Goat*
2. Sheep*
3. Cattle*
   a. Goat: Milk, cheese, soap/lotion, others might apply
   b. Sheep: Soap/lotion, cheese, others might apply
   c. Cattle: Milk, cheese, ice cream, yogurt, others might apply
Dairy
Unit 2: External and Skeletal Parts, Confirmation and Structure

Project Outcomes Addressed:
- Name and locate 20 body parts.
- Identify the following three udder structures and describe their importance:
  - Median suspensory ligament
  - Fore-udder attachment
  - Rear-udder attachment

You will need:
- Pencil
- Access to the internet

Activities in this unit:
1. Label the Dairy Cow
2. Udder Fun!

Confirmation and Parts of the Body Overview

Anatomy is a complex way of saying the structure and internal workings of the dairy cow that help keep it functioning and healthy. There are over 40 body parts of a dairy cow, but for this activity we are going to focus on 20 of them. There are 5 parts of the external udder, but for this activity, we are going to focus on 3 of them.
Activity 2.1

Label the Dairy Cow
Do you think you could label the basic body parts of the cow? Using the image and word bank below, label the body parts correctly.

Word Bank

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<th>Neck</th>
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<td>Rear udder</td>
<td>Heart girth</td>
<td>Brisket</td>
<td>Knee</td>
<td>Chine</td>
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<td>Loin</td>
<td>Rump</td>
<td>Udder</td>
<td>Tail head</td>
<td>Hoof</td>
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<td>Hip</td>
<td>Dewclaw</td>
<td>Hock</td>
<td>Withers</td>
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Activity 2.1: Place answers here.

1. ________________  11. ________________
2. ________________  12. ________________
3. ________________  13. ________________
4. ________________  14. ________________
5. ________________  15. ________________
6. ________________  16. ________________
7. ________________  17. ________________
8. ________________  18. ________________
9. ________________  19. ________________
10. ________________  20. ________________
Activity 2.2

Udder Fun!
Do you think you could label the parts of the udder? First, draw a line from the part of the udder to the correct description. Using the image and word bank below, label the udder parts correctly.

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<td>Supports the entire udder</td>
<td>Defines the strength of the lateral suspensory ligament</td>
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Rear Udder

Teats
Extra Sources

Parts of the Cow:
• More information:
  Link: https://afs.ca.uky.edu/livestock/dairy/parts
  Link: https://animalcorner.org/cow-anatomy/
  Link: https://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/industry-leadership/4h/pubs/judge-dairy-factsheet.pdf

• Games:
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  Link: https://www.purposegames.com/game/parts-of-a-dairy-cow-quiz
  Link: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4h-resources/dairy-parts-quiz-answer-key/

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Activity 2.2

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Unit 3: Health and Disease

Project Outcomes Addressed:

1. Explain how animals develop immunity from vaccination.
2. Demonstrate how to give an intramuscular and a subcutaneous injection.
3. Identify all 10 parts of a medication insert.
4. Define the following terms: resistance, susceptible, pathogens, scours, dehydration, dewormer, electrolyte, heat stress, necropsy, persistently infected, prevention, temperature-humidity index, and treatment.
5. Demonstrate the proper method of administering a drench.
6. Understand quality assurance regarding injection sites, withdrawal times, residues and using a medication label.
7. Differentiate between modified-live and killed vaccines.
8. Explain the difference between a medication label and a medication insert.
9. Identify terminology associated with biosecurity for a livestock operation or livestock project.
10. Define the following: coccidiosis, acidosis, metritis, ketosis, milk fever, lameness, pneumonia, pinkeye, bloat and mastitis.
11. Identify internal and external parasites in dairy cattle.
12. Label the cross-section of the claw and anatomical structure of the hoof.

You will need:

- Pencil
- Scissors

Activities in this unit:

1. Vaccinations Save Lives!
2. How do you Give a Shot? & Medication Label Versus Medication Insert
3. Health Terms Crossword
4. How Do You Drench Cattle?
5. Basics of Biosecurity
6. Disease Scrabble
7. Gross Parasites!
8. Let’s Hoof It!
Activity 3.1

Vaccinations Save Lives!

**Why give vaccines?**

Vaccines are given to lower the risk of disease. Vaccines provide added insurance for cattle producers to protect their herds from many different diseases.

**What is the goal of vaccination?**

The purpose of vaccinating is to protect the herd from harmful diseases for health, economic and welfare reasons. To provide protection, the immune system must develop memory. With each vaccination and booster, the goal is to provide the protection needed by triggering the immune system to recognize the disease.

**Are vaccines 100 percent effective?**

Most vaccines do not prevent infection; instead, they prevent clinical disease. It is important to note that vaccines are not absolute protection. The immune system can be overwhelmed even if a vaccine is in place. If cattle become immune-compromised or exposed to an extremely high number of pathogens (disease-causing organisms), the vaccine may fail to protect from clinical disease.

**Types of vaccines:**

- **Modified-live vaccine (MLV)**
  - Non-disease-causing version of the virus or bacteria
  - The live virus or bacteria replicates in the animal similar to how the actual disease would, but it does not cause the disease itself.
  - They help the immune system develop a full response and create immunity.

- **Killed vaccines**
  - Killed vaccines do not contain a live virus or bacteria
  - They contain a dead organism or specific piece of an organism that is critical to the function of the disease-causing virus or bacteria.
  - Boosters or second vaccinations are needed more often with killed vaccines.

- **Combined vaccines**
  - Contain both modified-live and killed products

There are six pairs of cards on the next page. Cut out the cards and shuffle them. Match each card to the correct term. Can you do it?
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<td>Killed Vaccine</td>
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<td>Modified-Live Vaccine</td>
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<td>Killed Vaccine</td>
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<td>It helps the immune system develop a full response and create immunity</td>
<td>Combined Vaccine</td>
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<td>Contain a dead organism or specific piece of an organism that is critical to the function of the disease-causing virus or bacteria</td>
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Activity 3.2
How do you give a shot?
Medication Label VS Medication Insert

Types of injections:
- Intravenous (IV)
  - Injected into the blood stream directly through veins
- Intramuscular (IM)
  - Injected into the muscle
- Subcutaneous (SC)
  - Injected under the skin
- Intradermal (ID)
  - Injected between layers of the skin

Watch this video on how to give a shot:
Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hdCfGgsp4tQ

Medication Label Versus Medication Insert
Medication label:
- A written, printed or graphic matter upon or any of its container or accompanying such as a drug
- Seeks to identify drug contents and to state specific instructions or warnings for administration, storage, and disposal

Medication insert:
- Provides information about the drug and its use.
- For prescription medications, the insert is technical, providing information for medical professionals about how to prescribe the drug.

Quality Assurance:
Injection sites
- Located the injection site detail under the route of administration

Withdrawal times
- The time between the last drug treatment and the sale of milk or slaughter. It is the time required for the drug residue to be reduced to safe levels for human consumption.

Residues
- Watch the video below:
- Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nrLDsfGMX9s
Can you fill in the blanks and label the medication label and medication insert?

**Medication Label**

**OMNIBIOTIC**
(hydrocillin)

Directions for use: See package insert

**Warning:** The use of this drug must be discontinued for 30 days before treated animals are slaughtered for food. Exceeding the highest recommended dosage level may result in antibiotic residues in meat or milk beyond the withdrawal time.

Store between 2° and 8° C (36° and 46° F) ———
Keep dry and keep away from light

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**Word Bank for Label**

<table>
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<th>Storage</th>
<th>Quantity of Contents</th>
<th>Cautions and Warnings</th>
<th>Active Ingredients</th>
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<td>Name of Drug</td>
<td>Withholding Times</td>
<td>Name of Distributor</td>
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Medication Insert

OMNIBIOTIC
(Hydrocillin in Aqueous Suspension)

For use in Beef Cattle, Lactating and Non-Lactating Dairy Cattle, Swine and Sheep
Read Entire Brochure Carefully Before Using This Product
For Intramuscular Use Only

Active Ingredients: Omnibiotic is an effective antimicrobial preparation containing hydrocillin hydrochloride. Each ml of this suspension contains 200,000 units of hydrocillin hydrochloride in an aqueous base.

Indications: Cattle - bronchitis, foot rot, leptospirosis, mastitis, metritis, pneumonia, wound infections. Swine - erysipelas, pneumonia. Sheep - foot rot, pneumonia, mastitis: and other infections in these species caused by or associated with hydrocillin-susceptible organisms.

Recommended Daily Dosage
The usual dose is 2 ml per 100 lb of body weight given once daily. Maximum dose is 15 ml/day.

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<td>100 lb</td>
<td>2 ml</td>
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<td>300 lb</td>
<td>6 ml</td>
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<td>500 lb</td>
<td>10 ml</td>
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<td>750 lb or more</td>
<td>15 ml</td>
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Continue treatment for 1 to 2 days after symptoms disappear.

Caution: 1. Omnibiotic should be injected deep within the fleshy muscle of the neck or thigh. Do not inject this material in the hip or rump, subcutaneously, into a blood vessel, or near a major nerve because it may cause tissue damage. 2. If improvement does not occur within 48 hours, the diagnosis should be reconsidered and appropriate treatment initiated. 3. Treated animals should be closely observed for at least 30 minutes. Should a reaction occur, discontinue treatment and immediately administer epinephrine and antihistamines. 4. Omnibiotic must be stored between 2° and 8° C (36° to 46° F). Warm to room temperature and shake well before using. Keep refrigerated when not in use.

Warning: Milk that has been taken from animals during treatment and for 48 hours (4 milkings) after the last treatment must not be used for food. The use of this drug must be discontinued for 30 days before treated animals are slaughtered for food.

How Supplied: Omnibiotic is available in vials of 100 ml.
Activity 3.3

Health Terms Crossword

Fill in the crossword with the appropriate word for each definition using the word bank on the next page.
Word Bank for Crossword

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<th>Necropsy</th>
<th>Susceptible</th>
<th>Electrolyte</th>
<th>Resistance</th>
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<td>Persistently infected</td>
<td>Pathogens</td>
<td>Temperature-humidity index</td>
<td>Treatment</td>
<td>Dehydration</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dewormer</td>
<td>Scours</td>
<td>Prevention</td>
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Down:
1. Action taken to decrease the chance of getting a disease or condition
2. An anthelmintic drug given to animals to rid them of parasite
3. Diarrhea in horses and cattle caused by intestinal infection
4. Lack of sensitivity to a drug especially as a result of continued exposure or genetic change
5. A substance that breaks up into ions (particles with electrical charge) when it is dissolved in water or body fluids
6. The examination of an animal after death

Across:
5. A single value representing the combined effects of air temperature and humidity associated with the level of thermal stress
6. Occurs when the body cannot get rid of excess heat
7. The continued presence of infectious virus following the primary infection
8. A condition that occurs when the body loses too much water and other fluids that it need to work normally
9. Medical care given to a patient for an illness or injury
10. Easily affected by a disease; is more likely to get a disease; or lacks resistance to get a disease
11. An organism causing disease to its host
Activity 3.4
How Do You Drench Cattle?

What is drenching?

Drenching is used to balance the diet of dairy cows and to provide protection against metabolic and other illnesses. Products commonly administered include bloat preventatives, magnesium, zinc to support metabolic processes and trace elements including cobalt and selenium.

Watch the following video on how to drench cattle:

Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PrgjRFp10nQ

Write three to five sentences on how to drench cattle.

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Activity 3.5

Basics of Biosecurity

Biosecurity is defined as procedures intended to protect humans and animals against disease or harmful biological agents.

Complete this activity booklet with adult supervision:
Activity 3.6

Disease Scrabble

Some information about a disease is on the left side of the page. Determine which disease is being described and write out your answer in the blanks. Only put one letter per blank. At the end use the numbered letters to decode the message at the bottom. The word bank is on the last page of the activity.

- One of the most common diseases in dairy calves
- Fever (rectal temperature over 103°F, rapid respiratory rate, coughing, nasal discharge
- Prevention: colostrum management, ventilation, vaccination and nutrition

- Metabolic disease caused by a low blood calcium level
- Symptoms: dry muzzle, cold legs and ears, constipation, drowsiness
- Treatment: replenish cow with calcium solution
- Prevention: adequate feeding practices; feeding lower amounts of calcium during the dry period; feeding a negative anion diet (DCAD diet) during the dry period

- Inflammation of the uterus
- Caused by a bacterial infection
- Usually occurs after calving complicated by dystocia, retained fetal membranes, twins or stillbirths
- Symptoms: fever, vaginal discharge, uterus contains extra fluid, cow goes off feed

- Caused by infection with a single-celled parasite
- Symptoms: diarrhea (watery and loose), colic, depression, loss of appetite and weight loss
- Treatment: none; fluid therapy and nutritional support
- Prevention: separate infected calves from healthy calves, good sanitation practices

- Metabolic disease
- pH of rumen falls to less than 5.5 (normal is 6.5 to 7.0)
- When pH falls: rumen stops moving (depresses appetite and production) and acid-producing bacteria take over the rumen
- Causes: feeding a high level of rapidly digestible carbohydrate (feeding increased concentrates compared to forage)
- Symptoms: reduced feed intake, diarrhea, lethargy
- Prevention: reduce amount of readily fermentable carbohydrate consumed at each meal

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6 11 16

16 12 18 4

7 9 13

17 8

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Activity 3.6
Disease Scrabble Continued

- Inflammation of clear outer layer of eye (cornea) and the pink membrane lining the eyelids
  - Highest during the summer
  - Symptoms: sensitivity to light, redness of eye, reduced feed intake
  - Prevention: fly control, providing shade, reduce overcrowding

- Inflammation or infection of the mammary gland
  - Symptoms: udder is swollen, hot, hard, red and painful. Milk is watery and has flakes or clots present. Reduced milk yield, increase in body temperature, lack of appetite
  - Prevention: good housing management, effective teat preparation and disinfection, regular testing and maintenance of milking machine, vaccination for environmental mastitis
  - Most costly disease in the dairy industry

- Increase in the gas pressure within the rumen
  - Cause: consumption of lush legume pasture species in the spring
  - Symptoms: off feed, reluctant to move, appear distressed, rapid breathing
  - Prevention: pasture management

- Metabolic disorder that occurs when energy demands exceed energy intake and result in negative energy balance
  - Low blood glucose concentrations
  - Most common in first few weeks of lactation
  - Symptoms: reduced milk yield, weight loss, reduced appetite, acetone smell on breath
  - Prevention: adequate feeding practices

- Commonly a disease of young cattle (1-2 months to 1 year)
  - Usually sporadic during the wet seasons of the year
  - Most characteristic sign is watery feces
  - Infected calves should be removed from the rest

- Due to injury or disease in the foot or leg (laminitis, claw disease, digital dermatitis, and foot rot)
  - Symptoms: pain and discomfort, lowered milk yields
  - Prevention: hoof trimming, nutrition, housing and environment
Word Bank for Scrabble

<table>
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<th>Cryptosporidiosis</th>
<th>Acidosis</th>
<th>Metritis</th>
<th>Ketosis</th>
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<td>Milk fever</td>
<td>Lameness</td>
<td>Pneumonia</td>
<td>Pinkeye</td>
<td>Bloat</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mastitis</td>
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</table>

Joke 1: 

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  1 2 3 w 5 6 1 6 7 1 8 9
  1 16 5 14 12 13

h 1 12 7
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Joke 2: 

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  17 15 3 2 3 w 13 1 4 7
  3 18 9 7 17

h 9 7 17
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![Image of a cow](image_url)
Activity 3.7

Gross Parasites!
Match the parasite to the location in which it can be found. Some locations can be used more than once.
Activity 3.8

Let’s Hoof It!

Label the interior and exterior of a dairy cow’s hoof.

Word Bank for Interior Hoof

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Heel</th>
<th>White line</th>
<th>Superficial flexor tendon</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Flexor tuberosity of P3</td>
<td>Sole</td>
<td>Deep flexor tendon</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Navicular bone</td>
<td>Dorsal Hoof Wall Corium</td>
<td>Coronary region</td>
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<tr>
<td>Extensor tendon</td>
<td>P3</td>
<td>Digital cushion</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Word Bank for Interior Hoof (1-5)

1. _________
2. _________
3. _________
4. _________
5. _________
Extra Sources

Vaccinations and how to give a shot:
- More information:
  Link: https://extension.umn.edu/beef-cow-calf/cattle-vaccine-basics

Drenching:
- More information:
  Link: https://learn.tearfund.org/en/resources/footsteps/footsteps-31-40/footsteps-34/drenching#:~:text=Drenching%20is%20the%20forced%20pouring%20of%20liquid%20preparations%20down%20the%20digestive%20tract%20so%20that%20it%20does%20not%20enter%20the%20lungs.

Biosecurity:
- More information:
  Link: https://datcp.wi.gov/Documents/BiosecurityDairyFarms.pdf
  Link: https://extension.psu.edu/4-h-livestock-biosecurity-tips-fact-sheet

Diseases:
- More information:
  Link: https://dairy-cattle.extension.org/dairy-cattle-health-and-diseases/

Parasites:
- More information:
  Link: https://animal.ifas.ufl.edu/media/animalifasufledu/dairy-website/docs/Cattle-Parasites-Fact-Sheet.pdf

Hoof Anatomy:
- More information:
  Link: https://ahdb.org.uk/knowledge-library/the-anatomy-of-a-healthy-cow-s-foot
  Link: https://www.extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/id/id-321-w.pdf

- Games:
  Link: https://www.purposegames.com/game/anatomy-of-a-cow-hoof
Answers
Unit 3: Health and Disease

Activity 3.1
• Modified-Live Vaccine:
  o Non-disease-causing version of the virus or bacteria
  o It helps the immune system develop a full response and create immunity
• Killed Vaccine
  o Contain a dead organism or specific piece of an organism that is critical to the function of the disease-causing virus or bacteria
  o Do not contain a live virus or bacteria
  o Boosters or second vaccinations are needed more often
• Combined Vaccine
  o Contain both modified-live and killed products
**Activity 3.2**

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**Medication Insert**

**Name of Drug**

OMNIBIOTIC  
(Hydrocillin in Aqueous Suspension)

**Active Ingredients**

For use in Beef Cattle, Lactating and Non-Lactating Dairy Cattle, Swine and Sheep

Read Entire Brochure Carefully Before Using This Product

**For Intramuscular Use Only**

**Active Ingredients:** Omnibirotic is an effective antimicrobial preparation containing hydrocillin hydrochloride. Each ml of this suspension contains 200,000 units of hydrocillin hydrochloride in an aqueous base.

**Indications:** Cattle - bronchitis, foot rot, leptospirosis, mastitis, metritis, pneumonia, wound infections. Swine - erysipelas, pneumonia. Sheep - foot rot, pneumonia, mastitis; and other infections in these species caused by or associated with hydrocillin-susceptible organisms.

**Recommended Daily Dosage**

The usual dose is 2 ml per 100 lb of body weight given once daily. Maximum dose is 15 ml/day.

**Dosage**

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<tr>
<th>Body Weight</th>
<th>Dosage</th>
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<tr>
<td>100 lb</td>
<td>2 ml</td>
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<tr>
<td>300 lb</td>
<td>6 ml</td>
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<tr>
<td>500 lb</td>
<td>10 ml</td>
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<tr>
<td>750 lb or more</td>
<td>15 ml</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Continue treatment for 1 to 2 days after symptoms disappear.

**Caution:** 1. Omnibirotic should be injected deep within the fleshy muscle of the neck or thigh. Do not inject this material in the hip or rump, subcutaneously, into a blood vessel, or near a major nerve because it may cause tissue damage. 2. If improvement does not occur within 48 hours, the diagnosis should be reconsidered and appropriate treatment initiated. 3. Treated animals should be closely observed for at least 30 minutes. Should a reaction occur, discontinue treatment and immediately administer epinephrine and antihistamines. 4. Omnibirotic must be stored between 2° and 8° C (36° to 46° F). Warm to room temperature and shake well before using. Keep refrigerated when not in use.

**Warning:** Milk that has been taken from animals during treatment and for 48 hours (4 milkings) after the last treatment must not be used for food. The use of this drug must be discontinued for 30 days before treated animals are slaughtered for food.

**How Supplied:** Omnibirotic is available in vials of 100 ml.

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**Storage Requirements**

**Withholding Times**

**Observing Label Directions**

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**Route of Administration**

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Activity 3.3
Activity 3.6
1. Pneumonia
2. Milk fever
3. Metritis
4. Cryptosporidiosis
5. Acidosis
6. Pinkeye
7. Mastitis
8. Bloat
9. Ketosis
10. Coccidiosis
11. Lameness

Joke 1: A cow in an earthquake is called a milkshake.

Joke 2: Why do cows have hooves instead of toes? Because they lactose.

Activity 3.7
1. Roundworm -> Small Intestine
2. Lice -> Head and Neck
3. Fly -> All over the Body of a Cow
4. Mite -> Between Skin Layers
5. Tick -> Head and Neck
6. Tapeworm -> Small Intestine
Activity 3.8

1. Heel bulb
2. Sole
3. Abaxial (outer) wall
4. White line
5. Abaxial (inner) wall
Dairy
Unit 4: Equipment and Records

Project Outcomes Addressed:
- Identify 20 pieces of equipment used for dairy cattle.
- Demonstrate the uses of 20 pieces of dairy cattle equipment.
- Understand how to calculate average daily gain and rolling herd average.
- Understand how to interpret and keep health records.
- Discuss the importance of animal identification for traceability.

You will need:
- Pencil
- Access to the internet

Activities in this unit:
1. Equipment Matching
2. Average Daily Gain and Rolling Herd Average
3. Understanding Records
4. Cow Identification

Equipment and Records

Knowing and understanding equipment used on dairy farms and recordkeeping are critical for a successful operation. If you do not know how to use an item or which piece of equipment to use, then how will you run your business? Without records, how can you tell which cow is which? Learn more how both can benefit your dairy in this unit.
Activity 4.1

Equipment Matching

Match the pictures to the definitions and word bank below. Each word and definition will be used only once.

**Definitions**

1. Used in mastitis detection; milk is placed into each section and a reagent is added that helps identify cases of mastitis
2. Used with semen straws; places semen inside cow during artificial insemination
3. Protects the insemination rod and keeps it clean
4. Measures the vacuum level of milking system
5. Ridged shell surrounding teat cup inflation
6. Controls when vacuum pressure is applied inside the shell
7. Made from flexible materials; attaches to cow’s teat milking; normally surrounded by a rigid shell
8. Teat dip fills the top compartment; teat dip is applied to teat by inserting it into top compartment
9. Attaches tags to ear of cattle
10. Collects milk from individual teats, then milk moves through tubing into main pipeline; attaches to shell/inflation and air tubes
11. Used for disbudding calves BEFORE horn emergence
12. Used to give injections to cattle
13. Given to cattle to collect any metal (screws, nails, etc.) that may by eaten and could puncture the rumen (hardware disease)
14. Supports milk/vacuum tubing while the milking unit is attached to the cow
15. Used to castrate bull calf
16. Used to assist cows when having difficulty birthing their calf
17. Maintains vacuum levels in milking system
18. Used for disbudding calves Before or Directly After horn emergence
19. Distributes water/cleaning solution to milking unit during CIP cleaning
20. Used to give injections to cattle

**Word Bank**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Cow Magnet</th>
<th>Vacuum Gauge</th>
<th>Syringe</th>
<th>Multiuse Syringe</th>
<th>Inflations</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Teat Cup Shell</td>
<td>Jetter Distributor</td>
<td>Teat Dip Cup</td>
<td>Pulsator</td>
<td>Elastrator</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vacuum Regulator</td>
<td>CMT Paddle</td>
<td>Support Arm</td>
<td>Milking Claw</td>
<td>OB Chain</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Insemination Tubes</td>
<td>Electric Dehorner</td>
<td>Insemination Rod</td>
<td>Caustic Paste</td>
<td>Ear Tagger</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Match the corresponding equipment to its picture.

- [Image of a pressure gauge]
- [Image of an AMVIC bottle]
- [Image of a rod]
- [Image of a syringe]
- [Image of a chain]
- [Image of a pliers]
- [Image of a device with a blue base and a red top]
- [Image of a clear tube bundle]
Activity 4.2
Average Daily Gain and Rolling Herd Average

Average Daily Gain (ADG) can be defined as the average amount of weight a market animal will gain each day during the feeding period.

ADG can be calculated by taking the amount of weight an animal has gained since the last weight and dividing the weight by the number of days since the last weight.

\[ \text{Weight gain during the preweaning period} = \frac{\text{weaning weight} - \text{birth weight}}{\text{age (in days) at weaning}} \]

For this activity complete the scenario calculation below:

This activity will have you calculate your own average dairy gain. Take your own weight (or a pet’s) on day 1. This can be any day of the week. In seven days, re-weight yourself or your pet. Subtract your day 7 weight from your day 1 weight and then divide it by 7 (number of days in between weight ins) to calculate your ADG.

Answer: 

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Rolling Herd Average represents how much milk, milk fat, or milk protein were produced by the average cow in a herd for the previous year.

For this activity complete the scenario calculations using the table below:

This activity will have you calculate rolling herd average for milk fat on a 5-cow dairy for one year. Find the average for each cow and month and fill in the blank space in the table. Use the averages to find the rolling herd average of milk fat for one year.

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<th>Cow 4832</th>
<th>Cow 5678</th>
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<td>January</td>
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Fill in the averages for each month for milk fat% (MF), milk production (PR), and milk protein% (MP) and calculate the total averages for each of the three.
Activity 4.3
Understanding Records

Fill in the blanks regarding the DHIA Report below. Each term is only used once from the word bank.
### Word Bank for DHIA Report

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Days in Milk Weight Fat content</th>
<th>% Protein content</th>
<th>Days Open (days since calved to bred)</th>
<th># Br – breedings per pregnancy</th>
<th>Average Somatic Cell Score for Lactation</th>
<th>Somatic Cell Score Milk Weight % Protein %Fat For previous test days</th>
<th>Yield and production compared to herd mates</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

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**Note:** The table above provides a word bank with terms commonly used in DHIA (Dairy Herd Improvement Association) reports. These terms are used to measure various aspects of dairy production and health.
Activity 4.4

Cow Identification

Name three methods of cow identification. Use the link below to help:

Link: [https://www.extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/as/as-556-w.pdf](https://www.extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/as/as-556-w.pdf)

1. ____________________  2. ____________________  3. ____________________

Why is cow identification important?

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Extra Sources

Equipment:
• More information:

Average Daily Gain and Rolling Herd Average:
• More information:
  Link: https://animalrangeextension.montana.edu/beef/articles/dailygain.html
  Link: https://cdn.agclassroom.org/ok/lessons/upper/ag_algebra_average.pdf

Understanding Records:
• More information:
  Link: https://extension.tennessee.edu/publications/Documents/W969.pdf

Cow Identification:
• More Information:
  Link: https://extension.missouri.edu/news/proper-cattle-identification-systems-4492#:~:text=Identification%20is%20important%20in%20tracking,health%20status%20of%20the%20cattle.
### Answer Key

**Unit 4: Equipment and Records**

**Activity 4.1**


**Activity 4.2**

ADG: example

- day one weight 120
- day seven weight 122

\[
122 - 120 / 7 = 0.29
\]

RHA:

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Activity 4.3

Why?
Identification is important in tracking cattle performance. It is used to make management decisions that will improve productivity of the cattle operation. Identification also helps in tracking health and treatment of those issues that will lead to optimum health status of the cattle. Identification can also be important in the ownership and sale of cattle.

Activity 4.4
1. Branding
2. Tattoo
3. Ear tag
   *any order
Dairy
Unit 5: Nutrition and Feeding

Project Outcomes Addressed:

- Understand the function of each part of a ruminant stomach and label the digestive tract of a dairy cow
- Identify and distinguish among the following forages and feedstuffs: soybean meal, whole soybeans, trace mineral salt, whole grain wheat, alfalfa, dried whey, fish meal, whole kernel corn, cracked corn, corn silage, and haylage
- Describe the importance of colostrum for calf health
- Describe the following nutrients or nutrient analyses: carbohydrates, fat, fiber, nonprotein nitrogen, nonstarch polysaccharides, relative feed value, relative forage quality, starch, total digestible nutrients, net energy for lactation, and water-soluble or nonfibrous carbohydrates
- Describe the following processes: creating a total mixed ration, top dressing, bottle feeding, rotational grazing, and weaning
- Identify the amount of grain a calf should be consuming at weaning
- Describe the ideal weaning weight and height for a given dairy breed
- Analyze a feed tag to determine if it contains a medication
- Analyze a feed tag to determine the relative proportions of individual feed ingredients that make up the feed

You will need:

- Pencil
- Access to the internet

Activities in this unit:

1. Label the Digestion Tract
2. Nutrition Wordsearch
3. Understanding Colostrum
4. Nutrition Crossword
5. Nutrition Scramble
6. What’s for Dinner?
Activity 5.1

Label the Digestive Tract

Use the link for help: The ruminant digestive system (umn.edu)
Label the parts of the ruminant stomach. Use the link to help:
extension.msstate.edu/publications/understanding-the-ruminant-animal-digestive-system

1. ________________
2. ________________
3. ________________
4. ________________
Activity 5.2

Nutrition Word Search

Look at the pictures on the next page and find the nutrition words in the word search. Use the link for help:
Activity 5.3
Understanding Colostrum

Colostrum instruments

**Colostrometer**
- Measures specific gravity
- Placed in a cylinder containing colostrum and floats freely
- **Green** = >50 mg/mL of immunoglobulins
- **Yellow** = 20 to 50 mg/mL of immunoglobulins
- **Red** = <20 mg/mL of immunoglobulins

**Refractometer**
- Few drops of colostrum placed on prism and sample covered lowered
- Hold up to light source
- Value is read at the line between the light and dark areas that appear on the scale

A BRIX value of 22% is the best quality of colostrum

Watch the how to videos below:
- Colostrometer: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bL59AxjP_fA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bL59AxjP_fA)
- Refractometer: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uMZ5hsl6qws](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uMZ5hsl6qws)
Activity 5.4
Nutrition Crossword
## Word Bank for Crossword

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<th>nonprotein nitrogen</th>
<th>nonstarch polysaccharides</th>
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<tr>
<td>relative feed value</td>
<td>relative forage quality</td>
<td>starch</td>
<td>total digestible nutrients</td>
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5. An estimate of how much availability energy a non-lactating animal will obtain daily from a particular forage if it is all that is fed
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7. A polymeric carbohydrate consisting of numerous glucose units joined by glycosidic bonds
8. nutrient based on carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen
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Activity 5.5
Nutrition Scramble
Using the definitions below, unscramble to words and match them to the definition.

1. TLATO XMEID NRIOAT
2. POT ENIDGRSS
3. LOTBTE GEIDNEF
4. OTLNIRATAO IA锌GRG
5. NWENGAI

1. Definition: That contains all the feeds and nutrients the cow needs are an effective, efficient and profitable way to feed dairy cows
   Activity Link: https://agunited.org/files/4614/4650/2070/TMR.pdf

2. Definition: Adding needed nutrients that might be lacking in the overall TMR
   Example Link: https://www.admanimalnutrition.com/webcenter/portal/ADMAnimalNutrition/pages_feed/showfeeds/showdairy/top-dresses

3. Definition: The action of feeding a calf with milk from a bottle
   How to: http://extension.msstate.edu/publications/publications/caring-for-newborn-beef-calves-separated-their-dams

4. Definition: The practice of containing and moving animals through pasture to improve soil, plant, and animal health
   How to: https://rodaleinstitute.org/why-organic/organic-farming-practices/rotational-grazing/

5. Definition: The removal of a suckling calf from the cow
   How to: https://extension.psu.edu/the-delicate-art-of-weaning-calves
Activity 5.6

What’s for Dinner?

Using the information below and the picture on the next page, complete the activity.

Activity: https://aec.ifas.ufl.edu/media/aecifasufledu/teacher-repository/Feed-Label-Activity-Sheet.docx

The following are key components of a cattle feed tag:

- **Product Name**: An obvious but important piece of information. If a product is medicated, the word “medicated” will follow the product name.
- **Brand Name**: The brand of the product is listed.
- **Purpose Statement**: Information about the species and animal class the feed is indicated for. It’s critical to check that your feed has been specifically formulated for your class of cattle. For example, you would not want to feed a product designed for “mature cows at maintenance” to “young, growing heifers.”
- **Medicated Use Statement**: If the cattle feed is approved for use with an active ingredient, the Environmental Protection Agency or Food and Drug Administration indication for use statement will be included. If a Veterinary Feed Directive-regulated ingredient is used, a VFD statement will also be listed.
- **Active Ingredient(s)**: Lists any active ingredients in the cattle feed and their associated level.
- **Guaranteed Analysis**: Lists required nutrients, dependent upon the intended use of the feed and species/animal class. It also lists the nutrient level the government regulates. Any nutrient guaranteed on the tag is potentially subject to testing by regulatory agencies to determine whether the tag guarantees are accurate.
- **Feed Ingredients**: Lists ingredients in the product beyond what’s listed in the guaranteed analysis section. Feed ingredients will tell you the source of an ingredient. For example, “calcium” is listed under the guaranteed analysis, but you can see that “calcium carbonate” is its source.
- **Manufacturer/Distributor Information**: The name appearing on the label is responsible for the cattle feed product and regulatory compliance. Typically, a mailing address will be included. Distributors use a statement “manufactured for” or “distributed by” to differentiate themselves from manufacturers.
- **Net Weight/Quantity**: Weight and quantity of cattle feed, as packaged.
- **Directions for Use**: Explains the safe and effective use of the cattle feed.
- **Feeding and Management Instructions**: A detailed listing of how the product should be fed and how many animals it will feed. Manufacturers formulate cattle feeds to be fed at a specific range of feeding rates. When a product is not fed according to directions, the full nutritional benefits of the feed may not be realized, and the feed may not perform as intended. The instructions should also outline other management factors to help ensure optimal product use.
- **Storage and Disposal**: Instructions for storage, disposal and container handling.
- **Precautionary Statements and Warnings**: Describes potential hazards for humans and domestic animals.
Extra Sources

Digestive Tract:
- More information:
  Link: https://extension.umn.edu/dairy-nutrition/ruminant-digestive-system
- Games:
  Link: https://www.purposegames.com/game/digestive-system-cow-game
  Link: https://www.purposegames.com/game/dairy-cow-digestive-system

Feed Stuff:
- More Information:
  Link: https://www.purinamills.com/horse-feed/education/detail/horses-don-t-eat-feed-tags

Colostrum:
- More information:
  Link: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/dairyteam/files/page/files/FINAL_Newborn%20calves%20%26%20Colostrum%20management.pdf
  Link: https://extension.tennessee.edu/publications/Documents/W660-B.pdf

Weaning:
- More information:
  Link: https://extension.psu.edu/early-weaning-strategies
Answer Key
Unit 5: Nutrition and Feeding

Activity 5.1

1. Rumen
2. Reticulum
3. Omasum
4. Abomasum
Activity 5.2

Answers for pictures can be found here:
Link -
Activity 5.4

Activity 5.5

TLATO XMEID NRIOAT
POT ENIDGRSS
LOTBTE GEIDNEF
OTLNIRATAO IAZNNGRG
NWENGAI

TOTAL MIXED RATION
TOP DRESSING
BOTTLE FEEDING
ROTATIONAL GRAZING
WEANING
Dairy
Unit 6: Genetics and Reproduction

Project Outcomes Addressed:
• Define the following terms: genomics, anestrus, dystocia, estrus, estrous cycle, gestation, anestrous, prepartum and postpartum.
• Label the reproductive tract of both a male and female dairy cow.
• Describe the concept of a freemartin and explain why it occurs.
• Outline the basic processes and benefits of estrus synchronization, artificial insemination, embryo transfer and in vitro fertilization.
• Identify three sampling techniques for genomic testing.
• Read and interpret a sire summary.

You will need:
• Pencil
• Access to the internet

Activities in this unit:
1. Genetic Scramble
2. Label the Reproduction Tract
3. Reproduction Rescue
4. Guessing Genomics

Genetics and Reproduction Overview

Reproduction is a fundamental feature of all living organisms. It is a biological process through which living organisms produce offspring similar to them. Improvement of dairy herd genetics can affect herd health, longevity, reproductive traits and many other vital aspects of dairy cattle production.
Activity 6.1

Genetic Scramble
Using the definitions below, unscramble to words and match them to the definition.

1. MPSPORUTAT
2. NRSESATU
3. ASDIOYCT
4. OTESTGAIN
5. OESTRSU LCECY
6. GIENCMSO
7. SRUETS
8. APUEMPRTR

1. Following calving or the time after the birth of young calves
2. Showing no heat activity because the process of follicle development does not lead to ovulation
3. Difficult birth
4. The process or period of developing inside the womb between conception and birth
5. The recurring reproductive cycle in many female mammals, including estrus, ovulation and changes in the uterine lining
6. The branch of molecular biology concerned with the structure, function, evolution and mapping of genomes
7. A recurring period of sexual receptivity and fertility in many female mammals; heat
8. Before giving birth; prenatal
Activity 6.2

Label the Reproductive Tract

1. ___________ 4. ___________ 7. ___________
2. ___________ 5. ___________
3. ___________ 6. ___________

**Vulva:** Eternal opening to vagina and breeding begins here

**Vagina:** Sperm is deposited here in natural breeding

**Cervix:** Guardian of the uterus; thick-walled structure with annular rings and is the resting area for sperm traveling to uterus.
**Female**

A. **Uterus**: Two parts  
**Uterine body**: semen deposited in artificial breeding  
**Uterine horns**: Calf will develop in one of the horns for 9 months  
**Oviduct**: Site of fertilization between egg and sperm  
**Ovary**: produces estrogen and progesterone and the eggs development location

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B. __________
**Testicles:** Located outside the body in the scrotum and produces spermatozoa and testosterone

**Epididymis:** Attached to one side of the testicle and site of spermatozoa maturation

**Vas deferens:** Pathway for sperm to the penis

**Accessory sex glands:** Add fluid that support and nourish sperm

**Penis:** Deposits semen in vagina during natural breeding
Activity 6.3
Reproduction Rescue
Can you answer the following questions about reproduction? Use the internet to help you find the answers.

What is a freemartin, and why is it a concern?

How does estrus synchronization work?

Explain the process of artificial insemination. Why might it be helpful?

What is embryo transfer, and how does it work?

What is in vitro fertilization?
Name three types of samples from a cow that can be used in genomic testing.

1. ________________
2. ________________
3. ________________

How to Label a Sire Summary:
For a full explanation of sire summaries, visit this resource:

Use the two sire summary examples below to determine which cow is better for which farmer.
1. Farmer A is looking to lower his somatic cell count.
   
   Which of the two cows should he purchase? ____________

2. Farmer B owns a value-added cheese business and is hoping to add one of the two cows into his herd.
   
   Which cow should he choose? ________________

3. Farmer C is looking to increase his milk production.
   
   Which cow should he buy? ________________

4. Farmer D wants to add a new cow to his show cows.
   
   Which cow would place better in a show? ________________
Extra Sources

Reproduction Tract:
- More information:
  Link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LaXu-FoU7Cw&list=PLNXPlZSwUle1lA0HKpoij1kY5koq_lZET0s&index=5](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LaXu-FoU7Cw&list=PLNXPlZSwUle1lA0HKpoij1kY5koq_lZET0s&index=5)

- Games:
  Link: [https://www.purposegames.com/game/cow-reproductive-tract](https://www.purposegames.com/game/cow-reproductive-tract)
  Link: [https://www.purposegames.com/game/bull-reproductive-tract](https://www.purposegames.com/game/bull-reproductive-tract)

Sire Summary:
- More information:
  Link: [https://extension.missouri.edu/publications/g2032](https://extension.missouri.edu/publications/g2032)
Answer Key
Unit 6: Genetics and Reproduction

Activity 6.1

MPSPORUTAT  POSTPARTUM
NRSESATU  ANESTRUS
ASDIOYCT  DYSTOCIA
OTESTGAIN  GESTATION
OESTRSU LCECY  ESTROUS CYCLE
GIENCMSO  GENOMICS
SRUETS  ESTRUS
APUEMPRT  PREPARTUM

Activity 6.2

[Diagram showing the uterus with labeled parts: cervix, vagina, uterus, bladder, ovaries, oviducts, and the uterine horns and body.]
What is a freemartin, and why is it a concern?
- A freemartin is a bull and heifer combination of calves carried at the same time. The male hormones in the uterus of the pregnant cow prevents the heifer’s reproductive tract from forming.

How does estrus synchronization work?
- Administering a series of hormones to induce a group of cows or heifers to be fertile at a chosen time period, which makes it easier to determine when the cows are in heat.

Explain the process of artificial insemination and why might it be helpful?
- A vial containing a sample of healthy sperm is put into the AI rod and into the vagina, through the cervical opening and into the uterus. Then, the person pushes the sperm sample through the tube into the uterus. AI places the sperm closer to the oviduct and allows for an increase of genetic diversity into the herd due to the ability to ship sperm from anywhere.

What is embryo transfer and how does it work?
- The embryo transfer process begins with cows receiving a hormone treatment to produce more than one ovulation (egg) at a time. The cows are then artificially inseminated with bulls also possessing desirable genetics. Seven days later, a veterinarian recovers the embryos by using a catheter and recovery fluid. Any fertilized embryos captured in the process can be transferred into a surrogate cow, called a recipient, that will carry the pregnancy to term, or the embryos can be frozen to be used later.
What is in vitro fertilization?

- The process of harvesting oocytes (unfertilized eggs) from a cow and fertilizing them in a petri dish

**Activity 6.4**
1. Blood
2. Saliva
3. Hair
*any order

1. Hanley
2. Rolan
3. Hanley
4. Hanley
Dairy

Unit 7: Dairy Products and Processing

Project Outcomes Addressed:
• Define pasteurization and explain why it is important.
• Describe three types of pasteurization and the benefits of each.
• Describe the equipment used in processing the following dairy products: butter, milk, ice cream, and cheese.
• List 10 retail nondairy products produced from dairy cattle.

You will need:
• Pencil
• Access to the internet

Activities in this unit:
1. Pasteurization Party
2. What Equipment is Used Where?
3. There is a Cow in My Marshmallow!
Activity 7.1
Pasteurization Party

Answer the following questions. Use the link for help:
https://www.idfa.org/pasteurization

Watch the Video:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nBjOi_b00w

What is pasteurization, and why is it important?
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________

Describe three types of pasteurization and the benefits of each.
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
Activity 7.2

What Equipment is Used Where?
Name three pieces of equipment used in making the following dairy products: butter, milk, ice cream, and cheese.

1. __________________
2. __________________
3. __________________

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2. __________________
3. __________________

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2. __________________
3. __________________

1. __________________
2. __________________
3. __________________
Activity 7.3
There is a Cow in My Marshmallow!

List ten retail nondairy products produced from dairy cattle:

1. _______________________________
2. _______________________________
3. _______________________________
4. _______________________________
5. _______________________________
6. _______________________________
7. _______________________________
8. _______________________________
9. _______________________________
10. _______________________________
Extra Sources

Pasteurization:
- More information:
  Link: https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/environmental-health/food-safety-in-virginia/milk-safety/pasteurization/#:~:text=Pasteurization%20involves%20heating%20liquids%20at%203D%20all%20bacteria%20are%20destroyed
  Link: http://veterinarysciencehub.com/7-various-methods-of-pasteurization/

Equipment Used in Dairy Products Production:
- More information:
  Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1N5UgUZDnpI&list=PLNXP12SwUle3sWedJnl4N7QntcWIA8&index=26

Nondairy By-Products from Dairy Cattle:
- More information:

- Games:
Answer Key
Unit 7: Dairy Products and Processing

Activity 7.1
What is pasteurization and why is it important?

- Pasteurization is a process by which milk is heated to a specific temperature for a set period of time to kills harmful bacteria that can lead to diseases like as listeriosis, typhoid fever, tuberculosis, diphtheria and brucellosis.

Describe three types of pasteurization and the benefits of each.

- **Batch Pasteurization / low temperature long term pasteurization**
  - Every particle of milk is subjected to a temperature of 63°C or 145°F for 30 min followed by prompt cooling to 5°C or below.
  - Benefits:
    - It is useful for handling small quantity of milk.
    - It does not involve sophisticated equipment.
    - Milk is not wasted during this process.

- **High Temperature Short Time**
  - Heating of milk – 72°C or 161.6°F for 15 sec. – cooling to 5°C or 41°F or below.
  - Benefits
    - This is useful for handling large quantity of milk.

- **Ultra-High Temperature treatment**
  - Every particle of milk is subjected to a temperature time combination of 135°C – 150°C or 275°F - 302°F without holding for 2 seconds.

- **Ultra-Pasteurized**
  - In this process milk is heated with a direct steam up to 150°C or 275°F for a fraction of a second.
Activity 7.2
- Butter: Butter churn, pasteurizer, and separator
- Milk: Holding tank, pasteurizer, separator, clean in place system, and homogenizer
- Ice cream: Pasteurizer, continuous freezer, separator, refrigerated mix tank, aging tank, and blast freezer
- Cheese: pasteurizer (fresh cheese), cheese vat, cheese mold, drain table, cheese press, storage racks (aging cheese)

Activity 7.3

There’s A Cow In My Marshmallow!
Can you find the By-Products?

By-Products From Hide and Hair
- Baseball Gloves
- Car Upholstery
- Drum Heads
- Leather Coats
- Violin Strings
- Shoes
- Felt Hats
- Luggage
- Wallets
- Leather Watchbands
- Rawhide Softballs

By-Products From Glands and Organs
- Asphalt
- Cosmetics
- Fertilizer
- Insulation
- Medicines
- Paint
- Plastic
- Soap
- Tires

By-Products From Bones and Horns
- Bone China
- Ice Cream
- Piano Keys
- Candies
- Knife Handles
- Vitamin Capsules
- Chewing Gum
- Lipstick
- Wallpaper Paste
- Comb
- Photo Film

Image courtesy Florida Beef Council
Dairy

Unit 8: Performance Measurements

Project Outcomes Addressed:
• Distinguish between voluntary and involuntary culls.
• Calculate the following: pregnancy rate, conception rate, heat detection rate, days to first service, calving interval, death-loss percentage, somatic cell score and stocking density.
• Define and apply the following scoring systems: body condition, hygiene score, lameness score and teat end score.

You will need:
• Pencil
• Calculator
• Access to the internet

Activities in this unit:
1. Too Cull, or Not To Cull?
2. Cattle Calculations
3. Score!
Activity 8.1
Too Cull, or Not To Cull?
Place the scenarios in the appropriate box.

Word Bank

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<td>Injury</td>
<td>Unforeseen Death</td>
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Involuntary Culling

Voluntary Culling
Activity 8.2

- 100 cows currently in the herd
- 110 cow spaces on property
- 10 cows are eligible to be bred
- 4 cows are detected in Heat (AI)
- 2 cows become pregnant
- Cow A calved on April 4th, 2017

- Cow A was inseminated on June 6th, 2017
- Cow A calved March 15th, 2018
- 2 cows died
- Somatic cell count is 200,000

\[
\text{Heat Detection rate} = \frac{\text{Number of Cows Detected to be Bred}}{\text{Number of Cows Eligible to be Bred}} \times 100
\]

\[
\text{Conception Rate} = \frac{\text{Pregnant Cows}}{\text{Number of Cows Inseminated}} \times 1000
\]

\[
\text{Pregnancy Rate} = \frac{\text{Heat Detection Rate} \times \text{Conception Rate}}{100}
\]

\[
\text{Days of First Service} = \text{Day of calving} - \text{Day of First Insemination}
\]
**Calving Interval** = Days During Pregnancy A - Day of Conception for Pregnancy B

**Deaths Loss Percentage** = \frac{\text{Number of Deaths}}{\text{Number of Cattle in the Herd Number of Cows Currently on Property}} \times 100

**Stocking Density** = \frac{\text{Total Number of Cow Spaces on Property}}{100}

**Somatic Cell Score** = \log_2\left(\frac{\text{Somatic Cell Count}}{100,000}\right) + 3
Questions:

What is the heat detection rate? _________________

What is the conception rate? _________________

What is the pregnancy rate? _________________

What is the days of first service? _________________

What is the calving interval for pregnancy A? _________________

What is the death loss percentage? _________________

What is the stocking density? _________________

What is the somatic cell score? _________________
Activity 8.3

Score!
Looking at the body condition score, hygiene score, lameness score, and teat end score, determine the correct scoring for each picture.

The **Body Condition Score** is a 5-point scale with increments of .25. Ideal locations to look for excess fat or noticeable skinniness is the backbone, hips, shoulder bone, ribs, and tail-head. The ideal score is a 3 for mid lactation cows and a 3.25 to 3.75 for late lactation cows. Video link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wASXNn_CTCU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wASXNn_CTCU)

Determine the score for the following pictures:

A. _____________

B. _____________

C. _____________

D. _____________

E. _____________
The **Hygiene Score** is a 4-point scale with increments of 1. Ideal locations to look for dirt or manure are the lower legs, udder and flank and upper legs. The ideal score would be a 1 or 2.

Video link: [https://media.ed.ac.uk/media/10A+Hygiene+in+the+shedF+Let+the+cows+tell+you%21+Scoring+system/1_dqrb4jrx](https://media.ed.ac.uk/media/10A+Hygiene+in+the+shedF+Let+the+cows+tell+you%21+Scoring+system/1_dqrb4jrx)

Determine the score for the following pictures:

F. ______

G. ______

H. ______

I. ______
The **Lameness Score** is a 3-point scale with increments of 1. Ideal locations to look for lameness are while the animal is walking, their ability to get up and if they look sickly (losing weight). The ground should be flat with no obstacles. The ideal score would be a one.

Video link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WVqFeLZcZ48](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WVqFeLZcZ48)

Determine the score for the following clinical descriptions:

- **Severely lame; trying to avoid bearing weight on limb**
  
  J. ________

- **Favors a limb when walking**
  
  K. ________

- **Sound with a healthy gait**
  
  L. ________
The **Teat End Score** is a 4-point scale with increments of 1. Ideal locations to look are the teat ends before milking. The ideal score would be a 1.

Video link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Je9fzEW1lE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Je9fzEW1lE)

Determine the score for the following clinical descriptions:

M. ______________

N. ______________

O. ______________

P. ______________
Extra Sources:

Calculations:
- More information:
  Link: [https://extension.tennessee.edu/publications/Documents/W872.pdf](https://extension.tennessee.edu/publications/Documents/W872.pdf)

Scoring:
- More information:
  Link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WVqFeLZcZ48](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WVqFeLZcZ48)
  Link: [https://dairylandvet.net/storage/app/media/Archivefile/DVS/newslettermarch-2017-teat-end-scoring.pdf](https://dairylandvet.net/storage/app/media/Archivefile/DVS/newslettermarch-2017-teat-end-scoring.pdf)
  Link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FZlat_LIB6c](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FZlat_LIB6c)
Answer Key
Unit 8: Performance Measurements

Activity 8.1

Involuntary Culling
• Illness
• Lameness
• Injury
• Unforeseen death

Voluntary Culling
• Surplus of Cows
• Low Milk Production

Activity 8.2

What is the heat detection rate? 40%
What is the conception rate? 50%
What is the pregnancy rate? 20%
What is the days of first service? 63
What is the calving interval for pregnancy A? 345 days
What is the death loss percentage? 2%
What is the stocking density? 90.9%
What is the somatic cell score? 3.3
Activity 8.3
A. 1
B. 2
C. 4
D. 5
E. 3
F. 2
G. 3
H. 1
I. 4
J. 3
K. 2
L. 1
M. 3
N. 2
O. 1
P. 4
Dairy
Unit 9: Economics and Marketing

Project Outcomes Addressed:
- Describe the Federal Milk Marketing Orders and its effect on milk prices.
- Describe the four classes of milk utilization and how it effects milk prices in your area.
- Identify three non-milk sources of dairy farmer income.
- Create a list of the incoming revenue and outgoing expenses on an average dairy farm.

You will need:
- Pencil
- Access to the internet

Activities in this unit:
1. FMMO: Federal Milk Marketing Order
2. Money In; Money Out
Activity 9.1

FMMO: Federal Milk Marketing Orders What are the Federal Milk Marketing Orders?

How do the Federal Milk Marketing Order effect milk prices?

Can you determine the four classes of milk and what dairy product fits into each category?

**Word Bank**

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<td>Fluid Milk</td>
<td>Yogurt</td>
<td>Hard Cheese</td>
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Activity 9.2
Money In Money Out

Identify three non-milk sources of dairy farmer income:

1. ________________
2. ________________
3. ________________

Can you create a list of incoming revenue and outgoing expenses on an average dairy farm?

Think of five incoming revenues and 5 outgoing expenses:

Revenue:
1. ________________
2. ________________
3. ________________
4. ________________
5. ________________

Expenses:
1. ________________
2. ________________
3. ________________
4. ________________
5. ________________
Extra Sources

FMMO:
- More information:
  Link: https://www.fb.org/files/2019FMMO/How_Milk_is_Priced.pdf
Answer Key
Unit 9: Economics and Marketing

Activity 9.1
What is the Federal Milk Marketing Order?

Federal Milk Marketing Orders establish certain provisions under which dairy processors purchase fresh milk from dairy farmers supplying a marketing area. A marketing area is generally defined as a geographic area where handlers compete for packaged fluid milk sales, although other factors may be taken into account when determining the boundaries of a marketing area. Federal orders serve to maintain stable marketing relationships for all handlers and producers supplying marketing areas, thus facilitating the complex process of marketing fresh milk.

Figure 1. Federal Milk Marketing Orders

[Map of the United States showing different regions with Federal Milk Marketing Orders.]

How does the Federal Milk Marketing Order effect milk prices?

Milk pricing regulations in Federal Milk Marketing Orders are among the most complicated commodity pricing regimes across all of agriculture. Milk pricing regulations in place today stem from pricing reform in 2000 that introduced end-product pricing formulas, by which regulated milk handlers are required to pay producers based on their utilization of the milk. Producers in a marketing area (Figure 1) share in the proceeds of all milk sales “pooled” on an order, and the regulated minimum milk price reflects the end-product pricing formulas and the farm’s share of the revenue sharing pool. For nearly 20 years there were only 10 milk marketing orders, but in September 2018...
California was introduced into the FMMO system as a result of the 2014 Farm Bill. Today, there are 11 FMMOs in the United States. These prices are used to determine two-week and monthly weighted average commodity values. The two-week prices are used to determine advanced pricing factors for pricing fluid milk products. The monthly weighted average prices are used to determine both the component value and the classified value of milk. Both the two-week and monthly prices utilize end-product pricing formulas (described below) to determine the classified value.

### Activity 9.2

1. Crops / farming
2. Selling dairy or beef cattle for meat
3. Cull cattle sales
4. Other full or part-time jobs

1. Fluid milk sales
2. Cull sales
3. Value-Added business (Selling cheese, ice cream, anything dairy that is not fluid milk)
4. Crop sales
5. Government payouts

1. Feed
2. Vet bills
3. Labor costs
4. Utilizes
5. Taxes

*There could be more then what is listed above*
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Voluntary culling occurs when the injury, infertility or death.

A simple way to calculate, identify any causes for concern.

Drenching is used to balance elements including cobalt and selenium.
Congratulations!

You have now completed the Intermediate Dairy Project curriculum.