



## Teacher or Other Leader Instructions for “Cow Outline”

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There are nearly 10 million milk cows in the U.S. today. The major breeds are:

- nHolsteins (black and white)
- nJerseys (yellowish-brown)
- nGuernseys (tan and white)
- nBrown Swiss (dark brown or gray)
- nAyrshire (white with reddish brown spots)
- nMilking Shorthorns (reddish brown or brown and white mixed)

Distribute the cow outline.

Have students put their names on the back. Provide black, yellowish-brown, tan, dark brown, gray and reddish-brown paint. Students will need to decide which breed of cow they plan to create.

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| <b>Holstein -</b>         | Using black paint and a sponge or their thumb, the student can create a Holstein pattern on the cow outline     |
| <b>Jerseys-</b>           | Paint a yellowish-brown   |
| <b>Guernseys-</b>         | Using tan paint and a sponge or their thumb, the student can create a Guernsey pattern on the cow outline       |
| <b>Brown Swiss-</b>       | Paint dark brown or gray  |
| <b>Ayrshire-</b>          | Using reddish-brown and a sponge or their thumb, the student can create an Ayrshire pattern on the cow outline  |
| <b>Milking Shorthorn-</b> | Using reddish-brown, paint cow solid brown. To make brown with white, sponge white paint onto dried brown paint |

Once the cow paintings are dry, have students examine the cows and look for a difference in breeds. Have students think of a name for their cow. Hang the cows around the room.

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