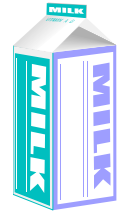




MILK From Farmer Jon's to YOU!



On the farm, the _____ (hint: they produce the milk) are fed and cared for by Farmer Jon. The _____ (hint: Doctor that cares for animals) checks all the livestock on a routine basis to make sure they are all healthy. All cattle have _____ (hint: cattle earrings that have numbers) that identify them. Their numbers are like names, so that each can be checked in the computer for their birthday, health records, parents, and everything about them.

A _____ (hint: person who is knowledgeable about nutrition) works with Farmer Jon to be sure that the cattle have a healthy diet. Some of their diet is _____ (hint: called maize by the Indians and is used in many different products).

The cows are milked three times a day at Farmer Jon's, at 4 a.m., noon and _____ p.m. (hint: the cows are milked every 8 hours). The milking is done in a milking parlor, where 16 cows are milked at the same time (eight on each side). Each cow's udder is washed and wiped dry with her own washcloth (used only once just for her), this keeps the milk clean and stimulates the cow to let _____ (hint: the opposite of up) her milk into her teats. Even the milkers wear gloves like doctors, to be sure that everything is clean.

The milk travels from the cow through a stainless steel pipe to a large tank where it is cooled and kept refrigerated. Every day, _____ (hint: number of days in an average year), rain, snow, sunshine or whatever the weather and even on all holidays, the milk truck comes to the farm and pumps the milk into its insulated tank, which keeps the milk cool and fresh and delivers it to the milk plant.

At the milk plant the milk is tested before it is pumped off the truck, and many more times. The processing includes _____ (hint: the process of killing bacteria in foods by application of heat. Milk is quickly heated to a near boiling temperature, then quickly cooled again. The process was named after its inventor, French scientist Louis Pasteur). The milk is then put into jugs, cartons, bottles or chugs, never touched by human hand, keeping it safe and clean!

The milk is also made into other dairy products, can you think of some? Here are some hints:

- ☉ I _ _ C _ _ _ It can melt, comes in a variety of flavors, delicious!
- ☉ _ _ E E _ _ It is tasty on macaroni, a sandwich, & can be Cheddar, Swiss, American plus more!
- ☉ Y _ _ U _ I It can be frozen, plain, with fruit on the bottom plus much more!
- ☉ B _ _ _ E R It is wonderful on popcorn or on your toast..you can shake heavy cream and get this!
- ☉ C _ _ _ M C H _ _ S _ It was made in Philadelphia, New York...great on bagels or with jelly!

The milk (and other dairy products) are delivered to stores and restaurants so that you can enjoy all the safe, nutritious, and fresh products wherever you may be! Farmers work every day to make sure that there is food for you!

Word Key

butter
cheese
corn
cows

cream cheese
down
ear tags
ice cream
nutritionist

pasteurization
veterinarian
yogurt
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The "Real" Seal means real dairy, not imitation!

