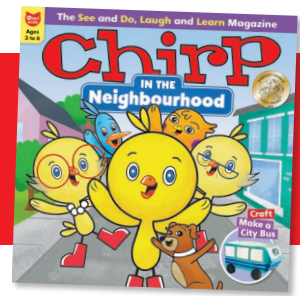


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Amazing Animal Cows

Fun Facts

- Cows are about as tall as a grown-up.
- They eat grass, hay and corn.
- They live in fields and pastures all over the world.

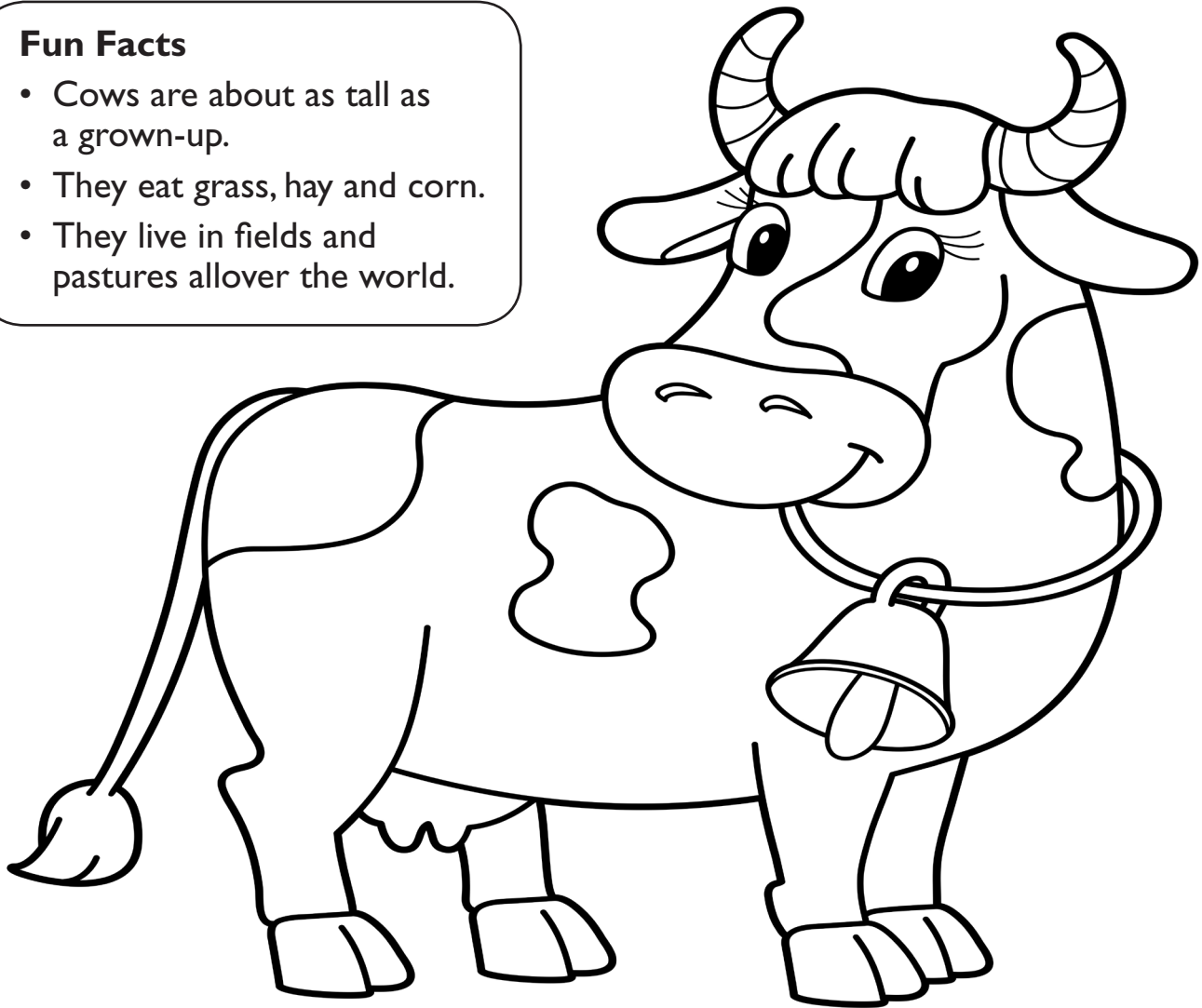


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Cows live in groups called herds on farms around the world. How do you think a cow is different from wild animals that live in jungles and forests?

Classroom Connections: Science: animals; life science; characteristics of living things



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Look and Learn Amazing

This month, *Chirp* readers learn how mail is delivered. Read the article, then work together to fill in the blanks. Refer back to the text if you need help with the answers.

Name: _____

1. _____ carriers pick up mail from a big building.
2. The mail there has been sorted into _____.
3. Some carriers drive _____ full of mail.
4. The packages and _____ have addresses on them.
5. The mail carriers leave the envelopes and small packages in
_____.

Follow-up Activities

1. Watch for the mail carrier in your neighbourhood. What time of day do they usually come? Are they wearing a uniform? What do they carry? Do they have a special truck?
2. Work together to write a short letter to a friend or family member, then take it to the mailbox. Maybe you'll even get a response in the mail!

Classroom Connections: Language Arts: understanding informational text, writing
Social Studies: jobs; local community



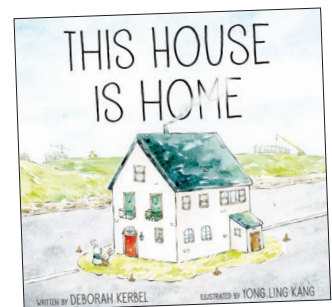
Read the poem aloud and listen for the sounds of the language and patterns in the text. **Note:** Before you begin, talk about the title and look at the art. Ask your readers to infer what the story is about. Encourage them to share their experiences of neighbourhoods. This will provide them with a context when reading or listening to the text.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is the title of this story? What is a “monsterhood”?
2. Who is describing the monsterhood?
3. Who else lives there?
4. How is the monsterhood similar to where you live?
How is it different?
5. What do you think it would be like to live in this monsterhood?
6. What do you think makes a good neighbourhood?
What do you like about your own neighbourhood?
7. What other stories have you read about neighbourhoods?
What other stories have you read about monsters?

Follow-up Activities

- Draw a picture of you in your neighbourhood. What other people are in your picture? What places and pets?
- Read a story about a changing neighbourhood in *This House Is Home* by Deborah Kerbel and Yong Ling Kang.



Classroom Connections: Language Arts: reading; reading comprehension; making inferences/interpreting texts; poetry; understanding story elements
Social Studies: local community
Character Education