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# Cows Can't Jump

## Learning Guide

This Guide is best used while reading aloud "Cows Can't Jump". After reading each two-page illustration, pause to look at the illustration with your child and then pose the Guide's questions. The tempo should be relaxed and the read-aloud session should be interactive. Use the questions as a springboard for further discussion.

The questions cover a wide variety of topics, such as colors, actions, shapes, sizes, places, things, counting, feelings/emotions and recognizing similarities and differences. The suggested questions can be modified or supplemented as desired.

After you finish reading "Cows Can't Jump", you can make up your own memory questions such as "Do you remember an animal that can form dams?", "Do you remember an animal that is green?" and "Do you remember which animal creates honey?".

Let's get started!

## Cow Staring at Hurdle

- What color are the cow's ears? *white*
- Is the cow sitting or standing? *standing*
- How many legs does the cow have? *four*

## Cow / Gorilla

- What color is the banana? *yellow*
- OR Do you see anything that is yellow? *banana*
- Do you see anything in the shape of a circle? *gorilla's belly button*
- OR What shape is the gorilla's belly button? *circle*
- Do you see an animal in the water? *cow*



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## Gorilla / Giraffe

- How many bananas is the gorilla holding? *one*
- Which animal looks happy? *gorilla*
- What animal's eyes are open? *giraffe*

## Giraffe / Snake

- Which animal is tallest? *giraffe*
- What color is the snake? *green*
- OR Do you see an animal that is green? *snake*
- Do you see an animal with spots? *giraffe*

## Snake / Bull

- How many feet does the snake have? *zero or none*
- Which animal is long and thin? *snake*
- Which animal is bigger, the snake or the bull? *bull*

## Bull / Kangaroo

- Do you see anything that is pointy? *bull's horn*
- What is the baby kangaroo in? *pouch*
- How many eyes does the bull have? *two*



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## Kangaroo / Turtle

- Do you see an animal in the air? *kangaroo*
- Which animal has a shell? *turtle*
- What is the turtle standing on? *grass*

## Turtle / Bat

- Which animal has wings? *bat*
- What is the turtle diving into? *water*
- Which animal is higher than the other animal? *bat*

## Bat / Pig

- What color is the pig? *pink*
- OR Do you see an animal that is pink? *pig*
- Do you see anything that is curly? *pig's tail*
- What do you call the pig's nose? *snout*

## Pig / Cat

- Do you see an animal in the mud? *pig*
- How many whiskers does the cat have? *six*
- Which animal seems peaceful? *pig*



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## Cat / Fish

- What color is the fish? *orange*
- Do you see anything in the shape of a square? *windowpane*
- OR What shape is the windowpane? *square*
- What three things do the fish and cat have in common? *eyes, mouth, tail*
- What are three things that are different? *fish has gills, cat has fur, fish has scales, cat has whiskers, cat has legs/paws, fish has fins*

## Fish / Duck

- Do you see any lines that are straight? *house edge; window edge*
- What is growing out of the ground below the window? *flowers*
- Which animal seems satisfied? *fish*

## Duck / Mice

- What do you call the building in the picture with the mice and duck? *barn*
- Which animal seems hungry? *mouse*
- What are the mice holding? *cheese*

## Mice / Horse

- What do you call the hair on the horse's neck? *mane*
- Which animal is smaller? *mouse*
- Which animal is bigger? *horse*



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## Horse / Squirrel

- Do you see any thing that is oval? *leaf*
- OR What shape is the leaf? *oval*
- Do you see an animal in a tree? *squirrel*
- Which animal is smiling? *horse*

## Squirrel / Raccoon

- What color are the leaves? *green*
- OR Do you see anything that is green? *leaves, grass*
- What color is the sky? *blue*
- OR Do you see anything that is blue? *sky*
- What do you call the object that the squirrel is holding? *acorn*

## Raccoon / Elephant

- What does the elephant have on both sides of its mouth? *tusks*
- Which animal seems proud? *raccoon*
- Which animal seems surprised? *elephant*

## Elephant / Lizard

- What color is the lizard? *green*
- OR Do you see an animal that is green? *lizard*
- Which animal seems scared? *lizard*
- Which animal is very big? *elephant*



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## Lizard / Sloth

- Which animal seems tired? *sloth*
- What color is the tree? *brown*
- OR Do you see anything that is brown? *tree*
- Which animal is lower than the other animal? *sloth*

## Sloth

- What color are the clouds? *pink*
- OR Do you see anything that is pink? *clouds*
- Are the sloth's eyes open or closed? *closed*
- What is the sloth sleeping on? *tree or tree branch or tree limb*