

# WISCONSIN BOOKWORMS™

## Activity Sheet



### **Cows Can't Fly** By David Milgrim

Cows can't fly—can they? When a boy's drawing inspires a flock of cows to take to the skies, he tries to show everyone the amazing sight. The adults around him are too busy to look up, so the child enjoys the sight on his own.

**Before you read this book**, talk about the title. Ask what is strange about the cows on the cover. Why can't cows fly? What animals can fly?

**While you read this book**, listen for the words that rhyme.

Reading tip: Try reading other books that rhyme. Books with repetitive rhyming are especially helpful. Encourage kids to join in on the repetitive rhyming phrases.

**After you read this book**, try playing the What If game. Imagine what it would be like if things were different. For example, what if we had no hands, how would we pick things up? What if milk were purple? Try out some of the What Ifs that you come up with.

Using markers, crayons or colored pencils draw your favorite flying animal.

Talk about objects that fly. Make paper airplanes out of construction paper.

Have the child read the story back to you by describing what is going on in each picture. Try this with the other imagination books below.

See previous First Book activity sheet for *Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type* by Doreen Cronin for more funny farmyard ideas.

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#### **Check out these other imagination books:**

*Tuesday* by David Wiesner

*Sidewalk Circus* by Paul R. Fleischman

*I Look Like a Girl* by Sheila Hamanaka

**Don't forget to watch *Dragon Tales* at 7:30 a.m. weekdays!**

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