

## CLICK, CLACK, MOO: COWS THAT TYPE

### Discussion Questions

- Who are the characters in the story?**  
Farmer Brown, cows, hens, and Duck
- Where does the story take place?**  
On Farmer Brown's farm
- What skill did Farmer Brown's cows have that made them special?**  
They were able to type!
- Farmer Brown couldn't believe his ears and his eyes. Why not?**  
He heard the cows typing and they wrote him a note.
- Why do the cows want electric blankets?**  
The cows are cold
- Are electric blankets a want or a need?**  
Want
- When the cows go on strike, what do they do?**  
They refuse to give milk.
- Why is Farmer Brown mad when the cows and hens refuse to give milk and eggs?**  
Farmer Brown needs milk and eggs in order to run a farm.
- What goods did the cows want?**  
They wanted electric blankets to keep themselves warm.
- The cows threatened not to produce milk if they didn't get the electric blankets. Is milk an economic want?**  
Yes! For whom? For people who want it to drink, use in cooking, etc.
- Next, the hens were cold and they also asked Farmer Brown for electric blankets! They threatened to not lay eggs. Are eggs an economic want?**  
Yes For whom? People who use them to eat, use in cooking, etc.

- Are milk and eggs an example of a good or service?**  
Good
  
- At the end of the story, the ducks typed a note to Farmer Brown. What economic want did the duck have?**  
A diving board
  
- Is a diving board a good or a service?**  
Good
  
- Was it a good idea for Farmer Brown to accept the cows' deal/offer?**  
Either yes or no is an acceptable answer but students have to provide a good reason either way. Yes, because now the cows and hens will give milk and eggs again.  
No, because now all the animals will want something.
  
- In real life, how do people get the economic wants that they desire?**  
People work to produce goods and services. People specialize in the goods and services they produce. They then trade with other people to get the economic wants that they desire.

**Discuss what would happen to people in our country if animals really could go on strike. What would happen if we did not have milk or eggs? What other goods would be difficult to go without? What other services would be hard to go without? Are these services and goods wants or needs?**