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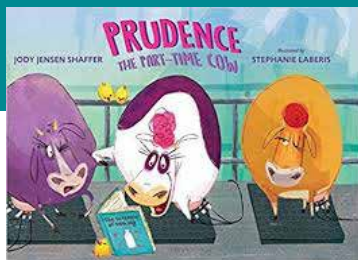
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## Book Review

# Prudence the Part-Time Cow



### Author

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### Illustrator

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### Rating

Excellent

### Level

Toddler, Preschool,  
Primary

### Pages

29

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2017

### Publisher

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Prudence may look like a full-time cow, but to her herd, Prudence is just a little too part-time. Prudence tries her hardest to fit in with the herd, but she cannot contain her creative mind. She is a scientist, an architect, and an engineer. The herd is unimpressed with Prudence's creativity and shuns her for being different. Just as the herd gives up on Prudence ever being a normal full-time cow, Prudence comes up with an ingenious plan to get the herd to like her. Prudence works all through the night and is finally accepted as a full-time member of the herd, still knowing she will always truly be a part-time cow.

This is a fun and easy read with beautiful and vibrant illustrations that easily grab the attention of young readers. Prudence the Part-Time Cow speaks to the creative-minded who are just trying to fit in. It incorporates elements of peer-pressure and bullying and expressing individuality, while introducing topics of science, technology, engineering, and math. This book helps young readers develop an understanding of valuing differences. This is a perfect book for any teacher's curriculum as well as home libraries to teach children about acceptance of others and ourselves.