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Lowdown On Skateboards

What started as rolling down hills on a piece of wood with wheels is now a lot more. From leaps to turns to difficult flips, today's skateboarder does a lot on a little piece of wood.

But it's really much more than just a piece of wood The skateboard has three main parts—the deck, wheels and trucks

The flat standing surface of the skateboard is the deck. It is usually made from maple wood The wheels are usually made from a material called polyurethane. They range from 39 to 66 millimeters across, which would be about 1.5 to 2.6 mches. The trucks are the front and rear axle assemblies. They connect the wheels to the board and allow the board to turn.

The front of the skateboard is called the nose, which runs from the front trucks to the front end The tail, or back, of the skateboard runs from the back trucks to the back Plastic strips that attach to a board's underside are called rails, which is also the edge of a skateboard

The places people skateboard have changed, too. Skateboarding on streets, curbs and railings is known as street skating, skateboarding on ramps and vertical structures built for skateboarding is called vert skating.



How much do you know about cows? Find out by taking this quiz

- 1 Which cows are black and white?
- 2 What is the largest dairy cow?
- 3 True or False? Cows have unbranched horns4 Can you name two types of beef cattle in
- North America? 5 True or False? There is no such thing as a
- dual purpose cow
- 6 True or False? Cows don't sweat
- 7 How many cows can a person milk by hand? 8. True or False? A cow that eats only grass can
- give about 50 glasses of milk a day
- 9. Are cows mammals?
- 10 What do cows drink?11 True or False? The milk cows give has two
- parts.
- 12. What are two foods that are made from milk?

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Answers:

1. Holsteins. 2. The Holstein-Friesian. It weighs at least 1,500 lbs. 3. True. Cows' horns are hollow and do not shed. 4. Angus, Hereford, Polled Hereford, Shorthorn, Brahman, Brangus and Red Angus are some. 5. False. Some cows are meat and milk producers. 6. True. 7. About eight. 8. True Those that eat grass, corn, hay and feed can give about 100 glasses of milk a day. 9. Yes. 10. Cows drink 25 to 50 gallons of water each day. 11. True. It is made up of nonfat milk and cream. When it sits, the cream floats to the top of the milk. 12. Butter, ice cream, yogurt, whipped cream, cheese.

