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Grandpa McDonald's Farm

Math Story by Claudette J. Young

Janet McDonald saw cows grazing in one of her Grandfather's pastures. She couldn't stop staring at them.

"Ooo. What kind are they, Grandpa?" she asked.

Grandpa laughed and said, "I have several special breeds. You'll soon see them up close."

Fifteen minutes later Grandpa took her to the fence where Janet could watch. She could see six different breeds of cows in that pasture.

"How many of those hairy ones do you have?" she asked and pointed to some rusty colored cows and calves with shaggy hair.

Grandpa nodded. "Those are **Highland Cattle** from the Scotland Highlands. I have ten of those."

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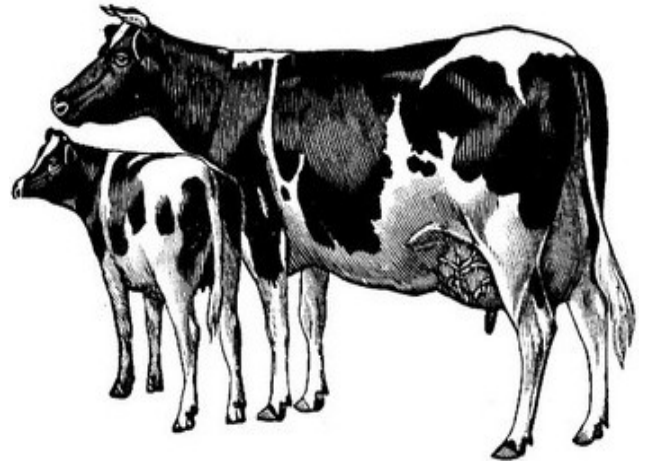
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"Those are English **Ancient White Parks**. I only have seven of those," he said.

Janet pointed to another small group of animals. "What about those twelve little black ones? They're so cute."

Grandpa laughed at her excitement. "Those are **Dexters**. They're supposed to be that small."

"You have more different ones, too," she said.



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“That’s true. Those fifteen speckled ones are **Pineywoods Cattle**. They came to America from Cuba back in the pioneer days. The six brown and white cows on the other side are **Guernsey**. I had some of those the last time you were here.”

“I remember helping you milk them,” Janet said and laughed. “The cow didn’t like my help.”

Grandpa laughed, too. “You were very young.”

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One of the white calves came to the fence and nuzzled Janet’s hand. She fell in love with cows at that moment.

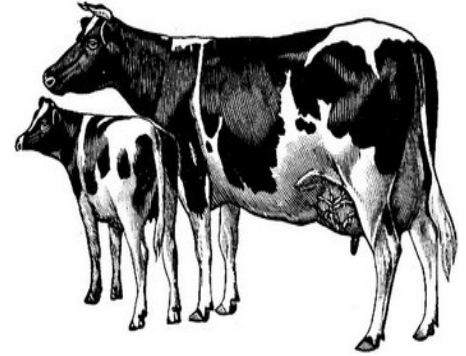
“I’ll help all I can, Grandpa,” she promised as she patted the calf on the head.

After you’ve read the story, answer the math questions on the next page.

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Use information from the story to answer the questions.
Show your work in the space to the right, when needed.

1. Complete the table. List each breed of cow and tell how many Grandpa McDonald has.

Breed	Number
Highland Cattle	10

2. What is the total number of cows in the pasture? answer: _____

3. If 17 of Grandpa McDonald's cows had calves, how many did not have calves? answer: _____

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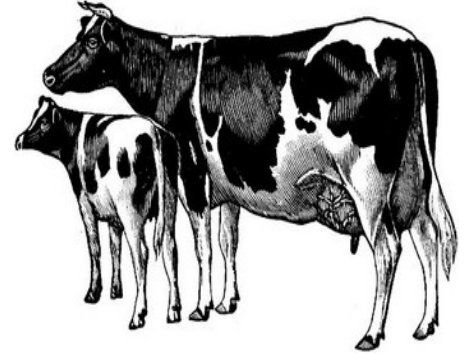
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ANSWER KEY

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5. How many more Dexters does Grandpa have than Ancient White Parks? answer: **5 more Dexters**