

**2013 Virginia State Fair  
Beef Skillathon Senior Quiz**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Which official USDA Feeder Calf grade describes a thick muscled steer that will finish at 1,100 to 1,250 pounds?  
a. M1            b. L2    c. M2    d. L1
2. \_\_\_\_\_ In cattle the polled trait is considered a  
a. recessive trait            b. dominant trait
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Which is closest to the normal length of pregnancy for a cow?  
a. 283 days    b. 305 days    c. 5 months    d. 3 months, 3 weeks, 3 days
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Which term best describes a calf from a Hereford X Angus cross?  
a. oakie            b. Hangus            c. black baldy
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Which of the following plants is a warm season grass?  
a. orchardgrass            b. fescue            c. Timothy            d. crabgrass
6. \_\_\_\_\_ The USDA Yield Grades in order from lean to fat are  
a. Prime, Choice, Select, Standard  
b. 5,4,3,2,1  
c. Standard, Select, Choice, Prime  
d. 1,2,3,4,5
7. \_\_\_\_\_ True or False. In dry feedlot conditions, cattle are less likely to ingest worm eggs or larvae.  
a. True            b. False
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Which of the following breeds is not a continental breed?  
a. Charolais    b. Brahman    c. Salers            d. Limousin
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Another word for hybrid vigor is  
a. ketosis            b. heterosis            c. mitosis            d. superiority
10. \_\_\_\_\_ The size of the U.S. cow herd is the lowest it has been since  
a. 1980's            b. 1970's            c. 1990's            d. 1950's
11. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the current USDA Secretary of Agriculture?  
a. Todd Haymore            b. Matt Lohr    c. Tom Vilsack    d. Ann Venneman
12. \_\_\_\_\_ If a cow has a body condition score of 2, she is  
a. fat    b. good            c. thin
13. \_\_\_\_\_ Which grain is higher in energy value?  
a. wheat            b. milo            c. barley            d. corn
14. \_\_\_\_\_ In a wet season like much of Virginia experienced in 2013, which could be a bigger problem?  
a. nitrate toxicity            b. internal parasites            c. forage deficiency
15. \_\_\_\_\_ A carcass with marbling score of Moderately Abundant would best fit in which grade  
a. Prime            b. Choice            c. Select            d. this marbling score is invalid