

1 and thousands of your friends, they never would have
2 appreciated your ... *(Looking for a nice word)* uniqueness.
3 BRIANNA: *(Sounding hopeful)* My uniqueness?
4 JAMAL: Sure. You have a beautiful ... *(Searching for*
5 *something nice)* um ... purple body.
6 CLIFF: And such lovely ... unique ... effervescent wings.
7 BRIANNA: *(Preening)* Do you think so?
8 CLIFF: *(On a roll)* Sure! You'll be the talk of the town. And
9 just think of all the people who missed the whole thing
10 last year. Maybe they were away or something and didn't
11 get to see your friends. You'll be special.
12 BRIANNA: *(Shyly proud)* I always thought I was a little
13 special.
14 JAMAL: Sure you are! Why don't you fly on over to that park
15 and find some people to annoy — I mean, show off for.
16 BRIANNA: OK, I will! Thanks, guys! *(She exits.)*
17 JAMAL: Wait 'til they get a load of her!
18 CLIFF: And those stupid people thought they were through
19 with those disgusting things for another seventeen
20 years!

19. Mad Cow Disease

Topic: Two cows discuss human behavior from their perspective.

Cast:

CLOVER

BUTTERCUP

Costumes

Students do not need to dress as cows but may. A simple costume would be white sweats with black patches and headband with ears. They stand, not crawl on all fours.

1 *(CLOVER and BUTTERCUP are Center Stage.)*
2 CLOVER: 'Sup?
3 BUTTERCUP: Not much.
4 CLOVER: You see that new donkey they got next door?
5 BUTTERCUP: Yeah, a real winner. Donkeys have got to be
6 the dumbest animals ever created on God's green earth.
7 CLOVER: You got that right. I saw him out in the field
8 chewing on a tennis ball, just as happy as can be. Those
9 stupid animals will eat anything.
10 BUTTERCUP: I heard Old Ginger was gonna be shown at the
11 state fair next month.
12 CLOVER: *(Laughs.)* Oh, yeah, you should have seen what
13 they did to her. Gave her a sweet little haircut and
14 braided her tail.
15 BUTTERCUP: *(Laughs.)* How humiliating. I'm glad I was
16 never chosen to go the fair.
17 CLOVER: It's bad enough that we get those school tours.
18 BUTTERCUP: Oh, you should have seen that group that
19 came through last week. They came into the milking
20 station and this little kid yells, "Hey, is that a girl cow
21 or a boy cow?"
22 CLOVER: That's nothing. How about the people riding by in

1 their cars? It never fails. They roll down their windows
 2 and yell, "Moooo!" They think they're so clever.
 3 BUTTERCUP: Well, they are only humans. You've gotta feel
 4 sorry for them.
 5 CLOVER: You're right. They put those stupid clothes all over
 6 their body — sometimes they can hardly walk. And they
 7 have such wimpy feet that they have to cover them all
 8 the time. You ever seen one get mud on one of those foot
 9 covers?
 10 BUTTERCUP: Oh, yeah, they go all nuts, scraping them on
 11 the fence, cursing all the time. What do they think is
 12 gonna get on their feet when they walk into a field? Hello!
 13 CLOVER: No, my favorite part is when it rains.
 14 BUTTERCUP: Yeah, please explain this to me. They spend
 15 all their money installing the most expensive showers
 16 and pools and going to the beach to swim. They stick
 17 their clothes into the washing machine every day. But
 18 heaven forbid it should rain on them.
 19 CLOVER: They turn tail and run back to their cars like they
 20 were on fire!
 21 BUTTERCUP: You do have to feel sorry for them. Have you
 22 ever seen that slop they eat?
 23 CLOVER: Ew, all they eat is stuff that comes wrapped in
 24 paper with gold arches on it. It smells disgusting.
 25 BUTTERCUP: Give me a good old bag of oats any time.
 26 CLOVER: And give me a nice thunderstorm any day. Cool,
 27 refreshing rain. Gets all the dirt off, cools us down.
 28 Those humans are just plain stupid.
 29 BUTTERCUP: Well, at least we've got them trained.
 30 CLOVER: Yep. Everyday, crack of dawn, they're out here
 31 cleaning up our stalls and bringing us fresh food. We've
 32 got the good life, I'm telling you.
 33 BUTTERCUP: Have you heard of that thing called "mad cow
 34 disease?"
 35 CLOVER: I wouldn't exactly call it a disease. I get mad all

1 the time.
 2 BUTTERCUP: Yeah, me, too. I don't know what they're
 3 talking about.
 4 CLOVER: Hey, if it turns one more human into a vegetarian,
 5 I'm all for promoting it.
 6 BUTTERCUP: Good point! Let's spread the word. Tell all our
 7 friends to act like they have this "mad cow disease" and
 8 the humans will totally leave us alone!
 9 CLOVER: Let's go!