

## Pasture Pick & Mix

STUDENT WORKSHEET

## YOU WILL NEED:

Each group will need:

- clear plastic tray
- 2 black growing trays spray bottle
- tissue paper
- selection of pasture seeds
  scissors

  - aluminium foil
- teaspoon
- Rosie's Recipe cards

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

You own a dairy farm and need to plant more pasture for your cows.

- 1. Place the growing trays into the top of the clear plastic tray.
  - Each black tray represents one field on your dairy farm.
  - What is a pasture?
- 2. Cut the tissue into strips and place in a layer in the bottom of each tray. Use water in the spray bottle to moisten the tissue.
- 3. Select 2 different types of pasture seeds.
- 4. Choose one field. Follow the recipe on the container label and add one pasture seed to half of the field and the other type of seed to the other half.
  - What is monoculture?
- 5. Select one of Rosie's recipes for planting pasture plants. Follow the recipe instructions and add the mixture of seeds to the second field on your farm.
  - What is polyculture?
- 6. Find a suitable place to leave your pasture to grow and then carefully fill the clear plastic tray with water. Cover the entire tray with a piece of foil.
- Spray the seeds 2-3 times a day with a fine mist of water. Cover the tray with foil between waterings for the first 3-4 days.
- 8. Check your pasture daily for growth.
  - Does a cow just eat grass?
  - Which pasture do you think your cows would prefer to eat?





