

# VACAS LOCAS

## AN ODE TO MAD COW DISEASE

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**CAST: RUSTY and SHINY**

**TIME: The afternoon.**

**PLACE: A field.**

**(RUSTY and SHINY are out in the field, doing nothing. They may be wearing bells around their neck, but this is optional.)**

RUSTY: Moo.

SHINY: Moo.

RUSTY: Moo.

SHINY: Moo.

RUSTY: Now what do we do?

SHINY: Moo.

RUSTY: I said now what we do?

SHINY: Oh. Sorry, heard the "ooo" at the end and just mooed back.

RUSTY: So?

SHINY: Don't you mean "sooo"?

RUSTY: **(in an angry tone)** MOOOO!

SHINY: Soory! Let me see, what can we do? **(pause)** We could eat some more grass!

RUSTY: I'm tired of eating this grass. It tastes funny.

SHINY: Yeah, it's stale.

RUSTY: And turning yellow.

SHINY: We should try the grass on the other side.

RUSTY: Other side?

SHINY: Of the fence.

RUSTY: Why?

SHINY: They say it's greener over there.

RUSTY: The grass?

SHINY: Yep.

RUSTY: Who told you that?

SHINY: I've just heard a lot of people say it. It may be worth a try.

RUSTY: Are you sure they weren't joking? I don't want to get all the way over there and find it's no different from our grass.

SHINY: Good point.

RUSTY: No use tiring ourselves out over some more grass.

SHINY: Exactly.

RUSTY: I'm not even hungry anymore.

SHINY: So now what do we do?

**(Pause)**

RUSTY: Moo.

SHINY: Moo.

RUSTY: Moo.

SHINY: Moo.

RUSTY: Is that a new bell you got on today?

SHINY: Yep. Do you like it?

RUSTY: Hmm...it's shiny.

SHINY: Yep. Yours is getting a bit rusty there.

RUSTY: But how does yours sound?

SHINY: I don't know.

RUSTY: You don't know?

SHINY: I haven't been running today, it hasn't been knocked around enough to ring.

RUSTY: You should give it a jog and see what it sounds like.

SHINY: Yeah, I could check out that grass on the other side.

RUSTY: I thought we weren't gonna go there.

SHINY: Oh, that's right.

RUSTY: Try shaking your body and see if you can make it ring.

SHINY: Why?

RUSTY: I wanna hear your new shiny bell-see how it sounds. Shake about.

SHINY: Shake how?

RUSTY: I don't know, just shake your whole body, like you're dancing.

SHINY: We don't dance.

RUSTY: You don't have to dance, just shake your body like you're dancing.

SHINY: Isn't that dancing?

RUSTY: There's no music playing, so it won't qualify as dancing.

SHINY: **(pauses to consider the point)** Hmm. Good point.

RUSTY: So?

SHINY: Just a sec.

***(SHINY takes a few seconds to prepare and then shakes entire body making the bell ring. If no bell is worn, the actor can make the ringing sound himself.)***

RUSTY: Sounds nice.

SHINY: Yep.

RUSTY: Mine still sounds better.

SHINY: What does yours sound like?

RUSTY: You've already heard mine.

SHINY: I can't remember how yours sounds. Shake so I can hear it again.

RUSTY: No.

SHINY: I let you hear mine.

RUSTY: I just wanted to see what the new bells sounded like to see if I should be jealous.

SHINY: Are you?

RUSTY: No.

SHINY: I don't believe you. Ring your bell and let's compare.

RUSTY: No.

SHINY: Ring it!

RUSTY: No!

SHINY: RING IT!!!

RUSTY: NO!

SHINY: MOOOOOOOOO!

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