















#### **Silkie**

## Characteristics you can see:

- Small, fluffy feathers appearing like silk
- Feathers in a ball shape on their head AND covering their feet
- Many colors including white, brown, and black
- Small, brown eggs

## Characteristics farmers look for:

- Low egg production
- These chickens are typically raised for shows or as a hobby



#### Sussex

## Characteristics you can see:

- White feathers on body, black feathers on neck and tail
- No feathers on legs or feet
- Large brown eggs

## Characteristics farmers look for:

Good egg layers

B

## Cornish

## Characteristics you can see:

- Smooth white or brown feathers
- Thick, heavy body
- Small white eggs

## Characteristics farmers look for:

- Very good for meat production
- Fast growing
- Poor egg production, so they are mostly raised for meat

C

## Cochin

## Characteristics you can see:

- Very thick, fluffy feathers that give body a round appearance
- Feathers cover legs and feet
- Many colors including white, brown, and multi-colored
- Medium brown eggs

# Characteristics farmers look for:

- Low egg production
- These chickens are typically raised for shows or as a hobby

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### **Rhode Island Red**

# Characteristics you can see:

- Characteristics farmers look for:
- Smooth reddish brown feathers
- No feathers on legs or feet
- Large brown eggs

Very good egg layers!

# E

## White Leghorn

## Characteristics you can see:

- Smooth, white feathers
- No feathers on feet or legs
- White
- Large white eggs

## Characteristics farmers look for:

Very good egg-laying chickens

H

## **Plymouth Rock**

## Characteristics you can see:

- Smooth feathers
- Feathers are black and white and appear like stripes
- No feathers on legs or feet
- Large body size
- Large brown eggs

## Characteristics farmers look for:

Good egg layers

# $\mathbf{G}$

### **Polish Crested**

# Characteristics you can see:

- Smooth feathers on body
- "Crest" of feathers on the head
- No feathers on legs or feet
- Many colors including black, brown, and multi-colored
- Medium white eggs

# Characteristics farmers look for:

- Low egg production
- These chickens are typically raised for shows or as a hobby

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# **Teacher Key**

#### **Picture Card Key:**

- 1. Cochin
- 2. Leghorn
- 3. Cornish
- 4. Silkie
- 5. Rhode Island Red
- 6. Sussex
- 7. Polish Crested
- 8. Plymouth Rock

### **Description Card Key:**

- A. Silkie
- B. Sussex
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- D. Cochin
- E. Rhode Island Red
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