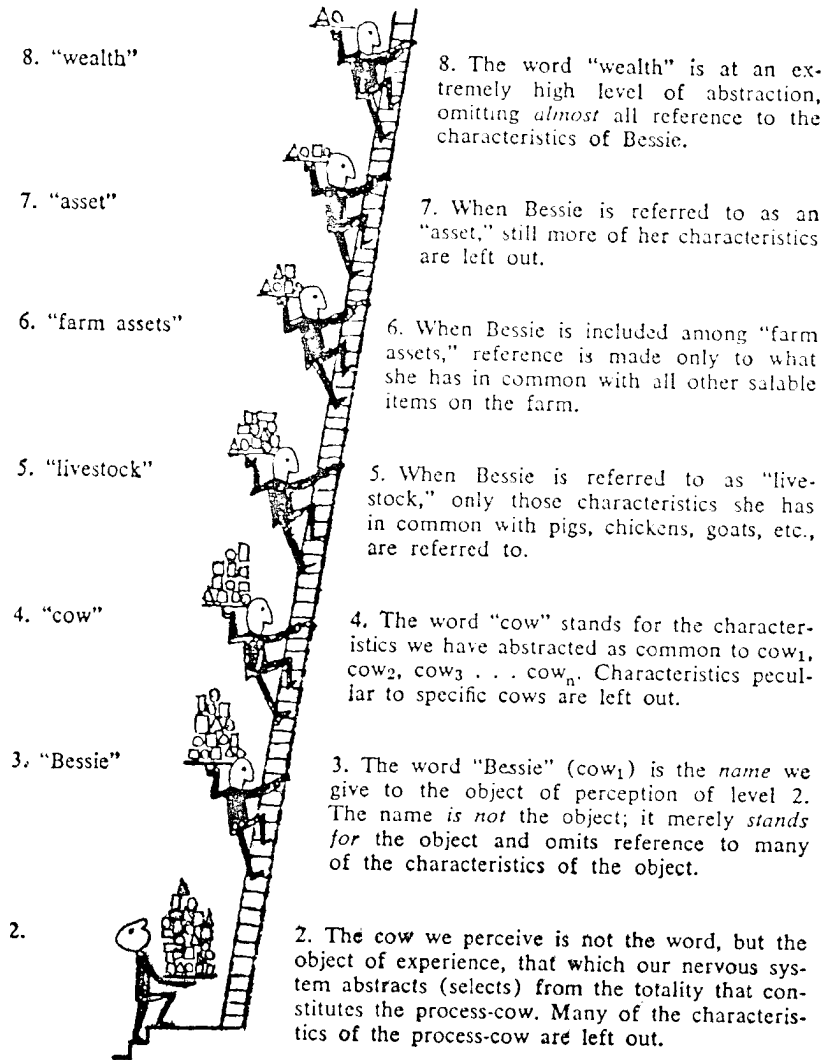


ABSTRACTION LADDER

Start reading from the bottom UP



1. The cow known to science ultimately consists of atoms, electrons, etc., according to present-day scientific inference. Characteristics (represented by circles) are infinite at this level and ever-changing. This is the process level.