

CLOVERBUD PROJECTS

Each year choose up to 6 projects to complete. You will earn 1 point for each you project you complete and bring into the 4H office for verification. You are welcome to submit any of the projects as fair entires. Not all projects are easily adaptable to all species. If you need help understanding how a project could be completed for your species, please contact your 4H leader or the Clinton County 4H office.

Written projects may be written by the member or dictated to a helper. They may be either handwritten or typed.

WRITING (6)

- Keep a log of how you cared for your animal for a week.
- Keep a journal for a period of time on your interaction with your animal. Share your feelings about your interactions.
- Make a trivia journal about your animal species. Include at least 15 neat facts about your species.
- Write a fictional story about your animal.
- Write a cartoon about you and your animal.
- Write a poem about your animal.

INTERVIEW (2)

- Visit a person who raises an animal of your species. Learn the answers to the following questions. Write them down or dictate them to a helper.
 - 1) What breed do they raise?
 - 2) Why did they choose that breed?
 - 3) What do they like about the breed?
- Visit a fair or a “species” show. Make a list of the breeds you saw. Ask one owner to tell you about the animals he/she brought. Write a few sentences about what you learned.

PHOTOGRAPHY (5)

- Take a picture of your animal
- Make a picture frame out of a natural or recycled items. Put a picture you took of your animal in your frame.
- Take at least 8 pictures of different breeds of your species. Label the breeds.
- Make a scrapbook page of you and your animal.
- Make a book about you and your animal. Have someone take a picture of you working with your animal. Put the pictures in a book format and write a sentence explaining what you are doing.

ARTS , CRAFTS and DRAWING (11)

- Make an animal mosaic. Find a picture of your animal. Cut it out and paste it to heavy cardboard. Cover with either dried peas or beans or with small squares of paper.
- Make a collage on your animal species. Use picture from multiple sources.
- Make a picture of your animal and use either items from your animal or their feed to decorate the animal or the scenery.
- Make a place-mat depicting a scene with your animal. Laminate the place-mat so it can be use.
- Make a model of a house for your animal species. (Use sticks, Popsicle sticks, LEGOS, K'NEX)
- Make a sculpture of your species using clay, Play do, or other modeling compounds.
- Make a 3D sculpture of your animal species with recycled materials.
- Make a model of your animal species with LEGOS or K'NEX.

Using either crayons, pastels, water colors, temperas, colored pencils or markers:

- Make a picture of you and your animal.
- Make a picture of the habitat your spaces of animal could be found. (barn yard, forest, jungle, ocean).
- Make a picture of where the breed of your animal originated. (For mixed breeds, chose one of the breeds.)

SEWING (3)

- Make a pillow (simple square or rectangle). Using an iron and fusible webbing, apply an appliqué in the shape of your animal species
- Make a simple fabric bag to carry animal supplies.
- Make a pillow case out of fabric that is in the theme of your animal.

BAKING (4)

- Make a food treat for your pet.
- Make sugar cookies in the shape of your animal.
- Make a decorate cupcakes in a theme that fits your animal species. (You can submit a picture!)
- Make and decorate a birthday cake for your animal. (You can submit a picture!)

GARDENING/HORTICULTURE (2)

- Decorate a flower planter and plant some sees of “something” you animal could eat OR use. (Bedding, play..-For fish, consider a plant that could grow by the tank!)
- Plant a flower garden in the shape of your species. Use different color flowers for the eyes and mouth. (Submit a picture of your results.)

ENGINEERING/SCIENCE(4)

- Make a kite in the shape of your species.
- Using recycled material, design and make something for your animal. Include a short write up of how it could be used.
- Do a science experiment with your animal to see if using colored water makes a difference to your animal. Use different color food colors to see if different colors make a difference. Write up your results.
- Do a test to determine if your animal prefers a certain brand of food. Write up a science report with your results.

WOODWORKING (1)

- Using a prepared kit, make an animal show box or animal feeder. (Kits should be prepared by adults. The 4H member assembles the project using a hammer and nails or a electric screw driver with adult supervision.)