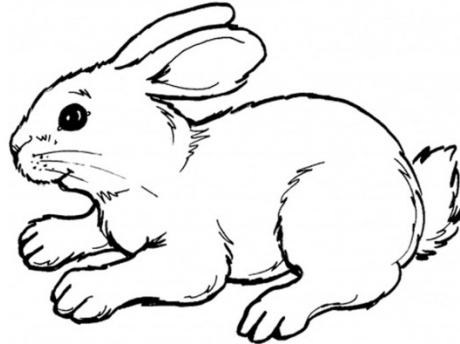


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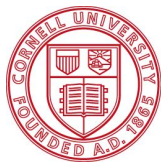


Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

4-H Leader: _____

Age as of Jan. 1st: _____. My favorite thing about my rabbit project is: _____



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Objectives of the 4-H Cloverbud Rabbit Project

1. To gain experience caring for rabbits.
2. To explore rabbit breeds and feeds.
3. To participate in group activities within your 4-H club.

NOTE:

- • Cloverbud projects are for the child to explore and discover project areas.
- • Cloverbud projects are not to be judged or placed in any 4-H activity.
- • Cloverbuds will participate in rabbit showmanship in the Cloverbud class.
- • The responsibility of animal ownership should not lie solely with the child, but with the parents also.
- • Safety of the child should be the primary concern of the Cloverbud project.



Cloverbud Rabbit Project Summary

1. Please check what you or your family have:

_____ doe(s)

_____ buck(s)

_____ kindled litters (babies)



2. Number of 4-H meetings that I attended:_____.

3. What breed is your rabbit?_____.

4. What sex is your rabbit?_____.

5. What variety is your rabbit?_____.

Draw a Picture of Your Rabbit

A large empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for drawing a picture of the rabbit.

Rabbit Family

_____ Your Rabbit's Father's Name (Buck)
_____ Your Rabbit's Father's Color (Buck)

_____ Your Rabbit's Name
_____ Your Rabbit's Color

_____ Your Rabbit's Mother's Name (Doe)
_____ Your Rabbit's Mother's Color (Doe)

Your Family

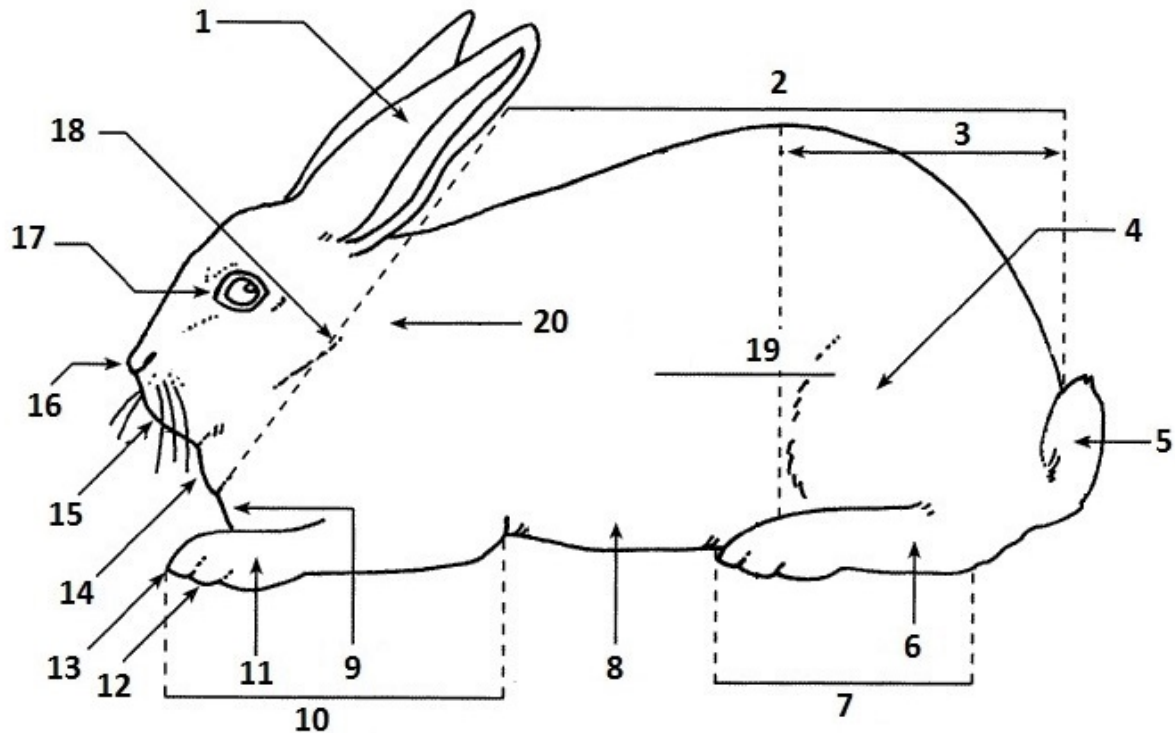
_____ Your Father's Name
_____ Your Father's Hair Color

_____ Your Name
_____ Your Hair Color

_____ Your Mother's Name
_____ Your Mother's Hair Color

Can you go any further on either side – Your Rabbit or Your Family?

When you are talking about your rabbit(s) you want to be able to use the correct names for all the body parts so others will know what you are talking about. Knowing these is also helpful when you are doing showmanship! Name the parts of a rabbit below by inserting the number of the correct body part in the blanks. The first one is done for you as an example.



- | | | | | | |
|-----------|--------------------|-------|---------------|-------|----------|
| <u>20</u> | Shoulder | _____ | Foreleg | _____ | Muzzle |
| _____ | Back | _____ | Forequarters | _____ | Neck |
| _____ | Belly | _____ | Hind leg | _____ | Nose |
| _____ | Cheek | _____ | Hindquarters | _____ | Nostrils |
| _____ | Chest | _____ | Hip | _____ | Ribs |
| _____ | Dewlap (does only) | _____ | Hock | _____ | Rump |
| _____ | Ear | _____ | Knee (stifle) | _____ | Saddle |
| _____ | Eye | _____ | Loin | _____ | Tail |
| _____ | Flank | _____ | Midsection | _____ | Toe |
| _____ | Foot | _____ | Mouth | _____ | Toenail |

Rabbit Breeds

At a rabbit show you will see many different breeds of rabbits. Some of the easiest ways to learn about different rabbit breeds is to learn about the different ways they can be grouped together. These can be by body type, the kind of fur or wool they have, or by size or weight. Draw a line from the name of the breed and information to the picture of that breed.



American (9-12 pounds)

Body Type: Semi - Arch
Varieties: Blue, White



American Chinchilla (9-12 pounds)

Body Type: Commercial
Variety: Standard



American Fuzzy Lop (3½-4 pounds)

Body Type: Compact
Varieties: Solid, Broken



American Sable (7-10 pounds)

Body Type: Commercial
Variety: Standard



Belgian Hare (6-9½ pounds)

Body Type: Full Arch
Variety: Standard



Beveren (8-12 pounds)

Body Type: Semi - Arch
Varieties: Black, Blue, White (BEW)

Blanc de Hotot (8-11 pounds)

Body Type: Semi - Arch
Variety: Standard

Britannia Petite (1¼-2½ pounds)

Body Type: Full Arch
Varieties: Black, Black Otter, Chestnut Agouti, Ruby Eyed White, Sable Martin

Californian (8-10½ pounds)

Body Type: Commercial
Variety: Standard

Champagne D'Argent (9-12 pounds)

Body Type: Commercial
Variety: Standard

Checkered Giant (11+ pounds)

Body Type: Full Arch
Varieties: Black, Blue

Cinnamon (8½-11 pounds)

Body Type: Commercial
Variety: Standard





Rabbit Word Scamble

*With the help of your leader, teen leader, parent or adult helper,
unscramble the 10 breeds of rabbits listed below.*

1.

U C H T D

2.

E L F S I H M A N T I G

3.

X R E

4.

N C A L A I I R O F N

5.

G I N E B L A R A H E

6.

E H N R F C G R A A N O

7.

H O L S I P

8.

T H N A D L R E N E W F A R D

9.

W N E D A L Z E A N

10.

G L H S N E I P L O

Belgian Hare

Flemish Giant

Polish

Californian

French Angora

Rex

Dutch

Netherland Dwarf

English Lop

New Zealand

Caring for My Rabbit

Once you get your rabbit(s) home he counts on you to take very good care of him. He will depend on you for everything! Complete the sentences below by inserting the number of the correct picture in the blanks. The first one is done for you as an example.

I will learn all I can about my rabbit to make my 4 project a success!

I feed my _____ every day. He has to eat a lot so he'll grow and be healthy.

I make sure my rabbit has clean, fresh _____ every day.

My rabbit lives in a _____ that I keep clean. A clean environment helps keep my rabbit healthy and free of parasites.

When I groom my rabbit I use a _____ to help keep his fur/wool clean.

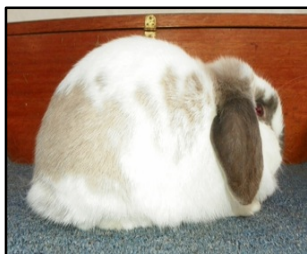
I get my parents to help me trim my rabbit's _____. This keeps him comfortable and healthy so he can hop and pose correctly.

My parents also help me give _____ to my rabbit if he gets sick.

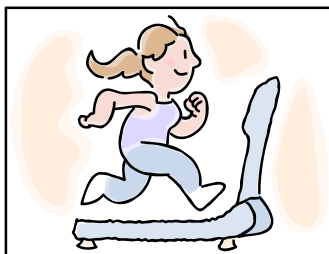
I really like to spend time with my rabbit.

It's my job to make sure my rabbit gets plenty of _____. The more I work with him the calmer and better behaved he is!

1. Rabbit



2. Exercise



3. Brush



4. 4-H



5. Water



6. Cage/Pen



7. Medicine



8. Toenails



Housing

1. What type of housing do you use? *(Check all that you use.)*

- Wood
- Wood and Wire
- Wire Cage
- Other _____

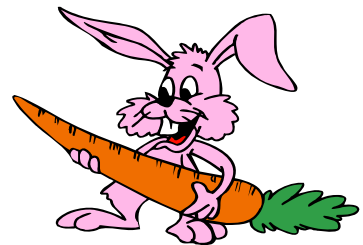
Feeding

1. What kind of food do you use? *(Check all that you feed.)*

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pellets | <input type="checkbox"/> Carrots |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fresh Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Apples |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grass | <input type="checkbox"/> Hay |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Grains | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

2. When do you feed your rabbit(s): *(Check all that apply.)*

- Morning
- Noon
- Afternoon
- Evening
- Other _____

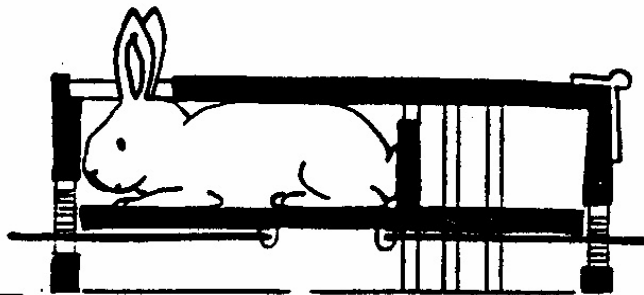
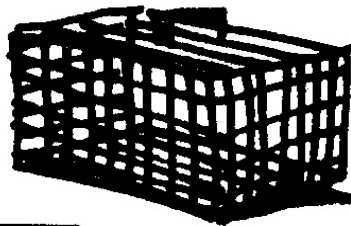
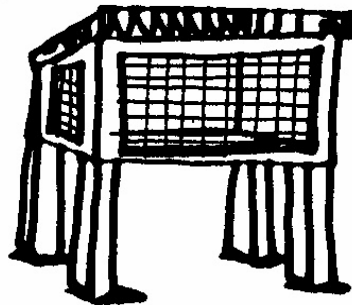
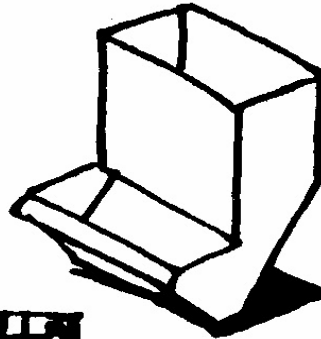
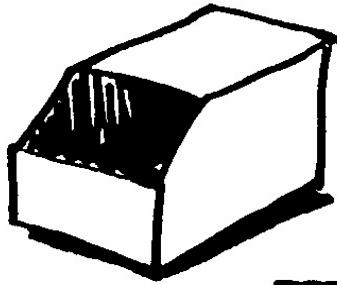


3. The most important item to give your rabbit is: _____

Rabbit Equipment

Match the rabbit equipment with the pictures.

HINT: Not all words will be used.



- | | |
|-----------------|---------------|
| A. Hutch | B. Nest Box |
| C. Waterer | D. Feeder |
| E. Carrying Box | F. Tattoo Box |
| G. Cage | H. Box |

Rabbit Glossary

Word Search

U K X Y J R W W H Z H B P R G
T O I D E R A B B I T C A Y Q
B R I T B K F M L T E K L Y G
Q P T U R P C T A S D J W T F
H I N A E Q T U J E Q V E A W
L N C R E W K A B N S J D K J
Y K Y W D L Z T T Z R P Q E D
G K H A I S R B W T E F E V X
G N I S R U N R L D O K K K P
B M I O J J S R I C H O V S Y
B V D N Q K A G H D C O C W U
B W X Z A S R D O E L S G J S
T T X B W E C E M G I T M H A
E S J C E N W H C T U H I T H
Y E E K S T F L K O G D J Y L

BOX

DOE

NURSING

BREED

HUTCH

PEDIGREE

BUCK

KIT

RABBIT

BUNNY

LITTER

TATTOO

DEWLAP

NEST

WEANING



Showing Your Rabbit

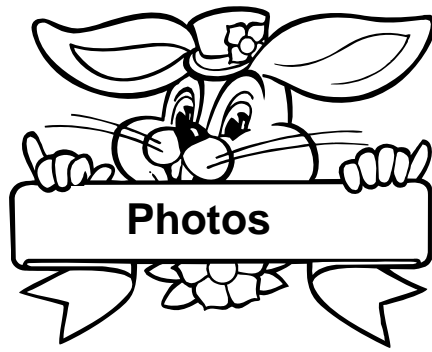
One of the best things about raising a 4-H project rabbit is the shows! When you take your rabbit to a show the judge might ask you some questions so it's best to be prepared and know the answers before you get to a show. Answer each question below so you'll be ready to show!

What is your rabbit's name?

What breed is your rabbit and what color/variety is he/she?

What does your rabbit eat and how much does it eat?

In the spaces below write down questions a judge has asked you that you didn't know, so you can use them to study for the next show! Don't forget to find out the answers!



A photo of each project animal can be attached to this page.



I Know 4-H...



The 4-H Symbol

A green 4 leaf clover with a white "H" on each of its leaves. Draw a 4-H Clover!

The 4-H's

Can you list the four H's of 4-H?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Motto

"To Make the Best Better"

Slogan

"Learn by Doing"

Pledge

Use the four H's to complete the 4-H Pledge!

**I pledge my _____
to clearer thinking,
My _____
to greater loyalty,
My _____
to larger service,
And my _____
to better living for my club,
my community, my country,
and my world.**

Colors

What are the 4-H Colors?

This color represents springtime and nature's most common color.

This color represents puffy clouds.