



UConn 4-H Fact Sheet



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Choosing an Animal Study Topic

Do you have an Animal Study Project? Some 4-Hers find that choosing a few animal related topics, help them focus their efforts throughout the year. Use this list to further define your project. Choose a few topics to study. Be sure to explain those topics on the "Describe Your Project" portion of the Animal Study Project Record.

Grooming

- Hoof Care
- Identifying Grooming tools
- Know purpose of each tool
- Uses each tool correctly
- Bathing
- Clipping
- Braiding

Equipment

- Identifying Equipment
- Adjusting Equipment
- Proper care/cleaning
- Assembling Bridles
- Identifying Bits

Handling/Horsemanship

- Haltering
- Leading
- Bridling/unbridling
- Saddling/unsaddling
- Mounting/dismounting
- Ring Etiquette
- Using the long line

Farriery

- Identifying Parts of Hooves
- Trimming
- Shoeing

Selection/Judging

- Identifying breeds
- Identifying parts
- Selection based on a standard
- Presenting oral reasons
- Recognizing faults
- Constructing the ideal specimen
- Locating Unsoundness
- Locating Blemishes
- Determining age
- Colors
- Markings

Records

- Maintaining Health Records
- Maintaining Feed Records

Health Practices

- Recognizing a Healthy Specimen
- Taking Temp., Pulse and Respiration
- Identifying Health Supplies
- Stocking a medicine cabinet
- Giving medication
- Examining a fecal sample
- Identification and control of parasites
- Understanding Psychology
- Outlining a health program
- Recognizing and treating diseases

Safety

- Loading
- Approaching
- Tying, restraints
- Wearing helmets

Nutrition

- Identifying feed ingredients
- Evaluating hay quality
- Understanding nutrients
- The digestive system
- Feeding
- Planning pasture management
- Planning a feeding program

Careers

- Exploring Careers