



# Wabash County 4-H Dairy Worksheet

## Grade 7



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_

**Answers to these questions can be found in the "Dairy Resource Handbook" 4-H 127R**

1. Chapter 5 talks about nutrition for dairy cattle. List three reasons why water is the most essential nutrient and what it does for a cow.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_

2. In chapter 6, the Weaning to Breeding Age section discusses the different forms that vaccinations come in, both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. You can administer these in different routes such as \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_.

Other health issues for your dairy cattle are caused by parasites. List the two kinds and give an example of each kind.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_

How are internal parasites controlled for the dairy herd? \_\_\_\_\_

3. In Chapter 8, we learn more about the different housing facilities. The two commonly used housing types are \_\_\_\_\_ housing and \_\_\_\_\_ housing. \_\_\_\_\_ housing tend to have more health problems, especially with young stock, because \_\_\_\_\_.

Which type of housing do you have for your animals?

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What is the biggest issue you have with the type of housing you provide for your cattle?

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4. In Chapter 2, it covers how to select your calf or cow. Once you have chosen a breed you will have to decide to buy \_\_\_\_\_ animals or \_\_\_\_\_ animals. What is one difference between the two? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Chapter 9 refers to two types of manure systems. List the two types.

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The type and amount of \_\_\_\_\_ has an impact on the manure handling system.

Briefly describe why/how it impacts it. \_\_\_\_\_

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What types of bedding are commonly used? Circle the one you use.

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6. In Chapter 15, it talks about washing and clipping your animal. What should you do regularly to help make hair soft and shiny? \_\_\_\_\_

Before you clip your animal you should \_\_\_\_\_

Be sure to clip your cow about \_\_\_\_\_ days in advance so that \_\_\_\_\_

7. Raising dairy cattle can be expensive. Talk about several of the most costly aspects of keeping and raising dairy cattle. Then talk about ways that you can make money on them. \_\_\_\_\_

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8. What are three things that you want to improve on for your dairy project this year and into next year?

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