



Wabash County 4-H Swine Worksheet

Grade 6



Name: _____ 4-H Club: _____

Answers to these questions can be found in the “Swine Resource Handbook” 4-H 134 R

1. Characteristics you should look for in your project pig are listed in chapter 3. Match the characteristic to its description.

___ CONFORMATION

___ MUSCLE

___ FAT

___ STRUCTURE

___ CAPACITY

___ BALANCE

a. Proportion of body parts

b. Pork industry’s number one enemy

c. Basic body design

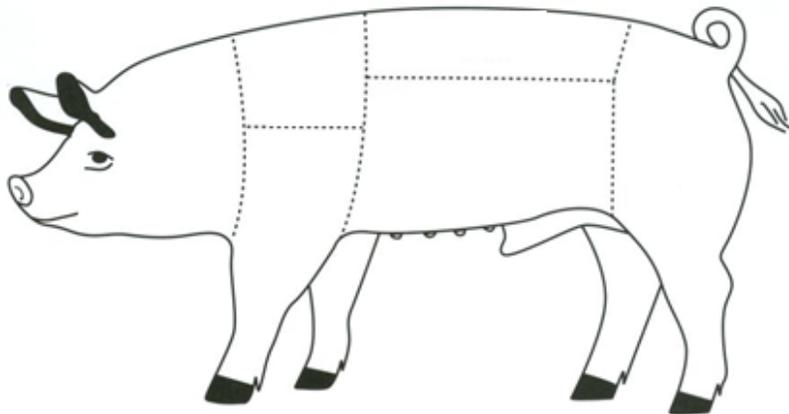
d. General body shape of the pig as determined by its skeleton and muscles

e. Ideal pattern is long, thick and smooth.

f. Important for maintaining health, intake of feed, and adequate reproductive volume

2. Chapter 5 talks about pork products and how pigs contribute to the Consumer Market. Label the picture below with the main or “wholesale” cuts of pork that come from a market pig.

HAM PICNIC BELLY LOIN BUTT



3. In chapter 6, the nutritional value of pork is discussed. What is the leanest pork cut choice, as lean as skinless chicken breast? _____

4. List the five categories of nutrients essential to swine as discussed in chapter 8:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____
 - e. _____
5. Chapter 9 discusses diseases. The chronic disease _____ is estimated to infect 90% or more of swine herds in the Midwestern United States.
6. In chapter 12 you will learn about showing your pig. What are three things you can do if the temperature is high and your hogs are really hot at the fair?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
7. Chapter 13 deals with selling your project animal. If you sell your animal in the auction, regardless of the amount you receive, you should always write and send a _____ the buyer.
8. In chapter 15, selection of breeding stock is discussed. A breed or line of swine that have been selected for a specific purpose over a period of time is a _____.
9. _____ is mating animals from different breeds or lines.
10. The crossbred female is the basis for more than _____ of commercial swine produced in the United States.

Answer the general questions below.

11. What did you feed your project animal? _____
12. Reading the feed tag, what are the two main ingredients in your feed? _____

13. How did you provide minerals and vitamins to your animal? _____
