

PURDUE EXTENSION BOONE COUNTY

4-H Meat Goat Worksheets

Grade 10-C



Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

Date: _____

Goat Nutrition

1. Explain the importance of protein in a goat's diet.

2. Because goats are ruminant animals, they can digest _____.

3. Match the following:

_____ Rumen

A. Mixes/stores, serves as fermentation vat

_____ Reticulum

B. Produce and secrete digestive enzymes and acids

_____ Omasum

C. Squeeze and absorb water from the feed

_____ Abomasum

D. Regurgitation of food for rechewing

_____ Rumination

E. Catches large particles of feed for further digestion

4. You have 10 lbs of hay at 90 percent Dry Matter (DM) that you are feeding your doe each day. Calculate how many lbs of DM this doe is eating per day.

5. You have a wether that you want to feed at 1 percent protein. You are mixing a 34 percent protein pellet with 8.9 percent cracked corn. You want 300 lbs of feed when you are done. Using this Pearson Square, how much of each will you need to mix to get the desired protein content?



6. Identify the following Feed Ingredients:



A. _____



B. _____



C. _____



D. _____



E. _____



F. _____

7. What is a result of Vitamin C deficiency?

_____, _____, _____ **and** _____

8. This Vitamin may be needed as a supplement to animals that are stressed or sick.

9. How does a Vitamin D deficiency affect the bones/joints of an animal?

_____, _____ **and** _____

10. A 100 pound goat that is not producing milk consumes about _____
of water per day.

11. What is the ideal time to wean a kid from its mother? _____

12. What is the most important nutrient required to survive? _____

And how much of a goat's body is composed of this nutrient? _____ - _____ %

Answers to these questions can be found in the "Goat Resource Handbook" 4-H 135R