

PURDUE EXTENSION STEUBEN COUNTY

4-H Rabbit WORKSHEETS

Grade 7-A



Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

Processing of Rabbits

True or False

1. _____ Selling fryers already processed rather than by live weight may be more profitable.
2. _____ The USDA has jurisdiction over the shipment of rabbit meat in interstate commerce.
3. _____ You need two buckets of water to dress a rabbit: one with soapy water, the other with cold rinse water.
4. _____ To dislocate the neck, in one quick motion press down with your thumb and raise the animal's head.
5. _____ Don't eat the heart, liver or kidney of a rabbit.
6. _____ Refrigerate the carcass for 24 hours prior to cutting into usable cuts.

Disease Prevention

Check the tips to prevent diseases in your rabbits.

1. _____ Buy stock that appears healthy from breeders with good reputations and healthy herds.
2. _____ Let your rabbit out of the pen to feed on lawn grass often.
3. _____ Provide plenty of clean, fresh water.
4. _____ Check your rabbits each day. Check closely for ear canker.
5. _____ Give your rabbit special treats of lettuce and nuts.
6. _____ Immediately isolate any animal that appears abnormal and keep it isolated until you identify the problem and correct it.
7. _____ Wash up thoroughly after completing your rabbit chores.
8. _____ Invite your friends to come and play with the rabbits.

Mineral Functions

Select the word from the Word Bank that matches the definition.

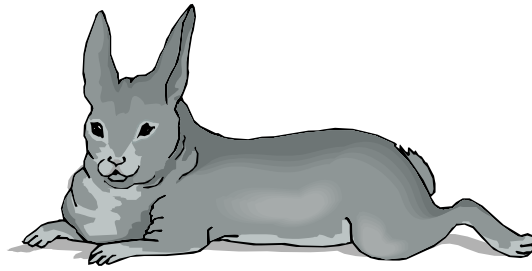
- _____ Assists with transfer of nutrient to the cells and removal of waste materials. Important in making bile.
- _____ Component of several enzyme systems.
- _____ Constituent of Vitamin B-12.
- _____ Enables blood to carry oxygen.
- _____ Essential for development of normal bones and teeth.
- _____ Essential for nerve function, and appetite.
- _____ For proper function of mammary glands and normal reproduction.
- _____ Necessary for enzyme activation.
- _____ Necessary for functioning of the nervous system.
- _____ Necessary for hemoglobin formation.
- _____ Needed for thyroxin production.

WORD BANK

Calcium
Cobalt
Copper
Iodine
Iron
Magnesium
Manganese
Phosphorus
Potassium
Salt
Zinc

BITS AND PIECES

Complete the crossword puzzle.

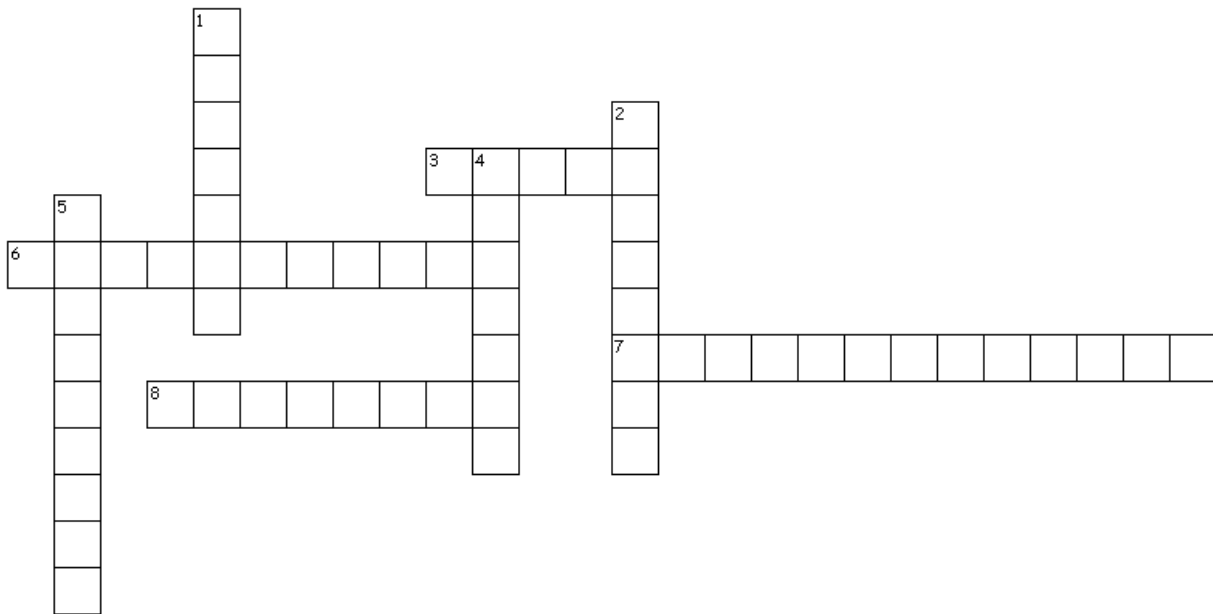


Across

3. Fur mites live in the fur causing hair loss.
6. Intestinal disorder resulting in diarrhea.
7. Occurs when certain intestinal bacteria grow and produce a toxin.
8. turn or bend inward, causing the toes to turn outward.

Down

1. Disqualification if it is twisted more than one turn.
2. Advanced form of this disease can cause blocked tear ducts.
4. A hard swelling or isolated collection of pus or purulent matter occurring in the rabbit's skin.
5. This condition prevents normal eating.



Completed (40 possible)	_____
Accuracy of answers (30 possible)	_____
Appropriate grammar (15 possible)	_____
Neatness of record (15 possible)	_____
Total	_____
A = 86-100 points	
B = 71-85 points	
C = 70 points or less	

Answers can be found in the OSU Rabbit Resource Handbook – 4-H 228R.