



COLLECTIONS & HOBBIES

Project Description

Do you like to collect something or would you like to start a collection? This project will help you organize, care for, display, and track your collection's growth. Each year you will choose a few items of your collection to exhibit and perhaps interest or educate others about your collection.

Exhibit Requirements

Requirements the same for each level:

Level 1~ Grades 3, 4, 5

Level 2~ Grades 6, 7, 8

Level 3~ Grades 9, 10, 11, 12

Display **8 - 10 representative samples** of your collection that have never been exhibited before along with a notebook.

Display space size should not exceed 24" x 36" (or call the Extension Office if this size will not accommodate your exhibit). Your collection may be exhibited in a box, on a poster, in a notebook, on a display board, or in any other manner that is attractively displayed.

Attach labels to the items you display in order to explain them to the public who will see your collection. Examples: Matchbook cover given to me by my father's friend; Rock shaped like an apple; Button from my mother's wedding dress.

Use care in selecting your method of display and display items to protect the value of your collection. **ALL ITEMS MUST BE ATTACHED SECURELY.**

Notebook Requirement

Each division is required to have a notebook/folder. The notebook/folder requirements are as follows:

- A picture of your collection and a short story of how you started your collection.
- Completed 4-H Collection Project Information Sheet (place in notebook/folder).
- Number each item on display with corresponding numbers on your Collection Log Sheet. For example: #25 John Deere Hat or #54 Pacers Hat.
- Your folder or notebook should be kept up-to-date each year as the judge may want to look back thru your project to see your progress.

Record this project on your Floyd County 4-H Annual Record Sheet.

4-H COLLECTIONS PROJECT

All young people collect items from time to time. People have developed interesting hobbies by collecting all kinds of fascinating items. This 4-H project can help you start or continue a collection of items that is interesting to you. The objectives of this project are to help the 4-H'er:

1. Learn to appreciate the fun of collecting items and showing them to family and friends.
2. Learn to keep complete and accurate records.
3. Learn how to care for and store items in their collection.
4. Learn to appreciate the historic, scientific, or economic value of the items collected.
5. Help develop a life-long interest.

It is fun to look for specific items for your collection and it makes you feel good to see your collection grow. It is educational, because it introduces you to new people, places and things as you find items for your collection.

It may add to your appreciation of your heritage. It may make you more aware of the world around you. It may sharpen your imagination. It may help you meet other collectors and it may not cost any money.

You may choose any type of article you desire to collect. The list below offers some suggestions, but your choice is not limited to these.

Antiques
Arrowheads
Baseball Cards
Bottle Caps
Bottles
Butterflies
Buttons

Coins
Comic Books
Dishes
Dolls
Flowers (pressed)
Key Chains
Leaves

Magnets
Matchbox Cars
Models
Mugs
Rocks
Spoons
Stamps
Thimbles

