

**2012 Iowa State 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest**  
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**LIVESTOCK EVALUATION TEST**

1. Adapting animal behavior to fit the needs of people is referred to as?
  - a. Domestication
  - b. Animal Production
  - c. Livestock Evaluation
  - d. Animal Husbandry
2. Which of the following is an essential amino acid in swine diets?
  - a. Alanine
  - b. Serine
  - c. Lysine
  - d. Tyrosine
3. Which of the following is a benefit of "cattle implants"?
  - a. Increase rate of gain
  - b. Increase lung capacity
  - c. Increase meat tenderness
  - d. Increase marbling
4. The length of gestation in sheep is closest to?
  - a. 114 days
  - b. 150 days
  - c. 283 days
  - d. 336 days
5. The mating of animals in different families within the same breed is known as?
  - a. Linebreeding
  - b. Crossbreeding
  - c. Inbreeding
  - d. Outcrossing
6. Which is not considered a British breed of cattle?
  - a. Angus
  - b. Shorthorn
  - c. Charolais
  - d. Hereford
7. Which of the following is not a desirable underline trait in hogs?
  - a. Proper spacing
  - b. Refined teats
  - c. At least 14 functional teats
  - d. Pin nipples

8. Which of the following body parts is used to evaluate both structural correctness and width in hogs?
  - a. Chest
  - b. Foot
  - c. Ham
  - d. Blades
  
9. Which of the following body parts is not used to evaluate muscle in sheep?
  - a. Pastern
  - b. Rack
  - c. Loin
  - d. Leg
  
10. Which of the following is a wholesale cut of a lamb carcass?
  - a. Side
  - b. Leg
  - c. Round
  - d. Brisket
  
11. An animal that “toes out” is most likely?
  - a. Angular fronted
  - b. Straight shoulder
  - c. Sickie hocked
  - d. Big footed
  
12. An animal that pushes out in its hock and sets down on the outside of its hoof or rolls at the ground is most likely?
  - a. Splay footed
  - b. Bow legged
  - c. Pigeon toed
  - d. Buck-Kneed
  
13. An animal that has excessive set to their hock could be described as being:
  - a. Bow legged
  - b. Sickie Hocked
  - c. Pigeon toed
  - d. Splay footed
  
14. Which is not a known genetic defect of cattle?
  - a. Curly Calf Syndrome (Arthrogryposis Multiplex)
  - b. Hydrocephalus (Neuropathic Hydrocephalus)
  - c. TH (Tibial Hemimelia)
  - d. PSS (Porcine Stress Syndrome)
  
15. In Market lambs Yield Grade is calculated using what criteria?
  - a. Back Fat
  - b. Flank Streaking
  - c. KPH fat
  - d. LEA

16. Which of the following breeds of sheep have a black face and legs, with a long thin ear?
  - a. Suffolk
  - b. Hampshire
  - c. Dorset
  - d. Southdown
17. The average LEA (loin-eye area) for a 250 pound barrow is closest to?
  - a. 2 square inches
  - b. 6 square inches
  - c. 10 square inches
  - d. 12 square inches
18. Which of the following breeds is known as a “Maternal breed” and has erect ears?
  - a. Landrace
  - b. Yorkshire
  - c. Chester White
  - d. Poland China
19. The term used for a castrated male lamb is?
  - a. steer
  - b. boar
  - c. wether
  - d. barrow
20. Which is not a compartment of the ruminant stomach?
  - a. Reticulum
  - b. Omasum
  - C. Jejunum
  - D. Rumen
21. What is visually used by producers to identify what litter each hog belong to?
  - a. Ear notch
  - b. Color pattern
  - c. DNA verification
  - d. Brand
22. When handling a market lamb, which is the most important place to handle for fat?
  - a. Leg
  - b. Rack
  - c. Ribs
  - d. Hindsaddle
23. Which of the following factors has the greatest impact on quality grade in cattle?
  - a. Yield Grade
  - b. Marbling
  - c. Hide Color
  - d. Rib Fat

24. Which term estimates the portion of the animal that will be used as edible product?
- Dressing Percent
  - Quality Grade
  - Yield Grade
  - Hot carcass weight
25. What is the biggest discount on a “balance grid” for cattle?
- Select carcass
  - Small REA
  - Yield Grade 4
  - Maturity A
26. Which of the following factors do not affect Yield Grade in cattle?
- Dressing Percent
  - Carcass Weight
  - 12<sup>th</sup> rib Back Fat
  - KPH
27. Which of the following starts the rapid growth stage on the standard growth curve?
- Breeding
  - Slaughter
  - Birth
  - Weaning
28. A steer, throughout his life would have an average feed to gain ratio closest to?
- 7 to 1
  - 11 to 1
  - 4 to 1
  - 2 to 1
29. Which is considered a primal cut of pork?
- Loin
  - Rack
  - Round
  - Breast Plate
30. Which of the following areas is used to determine leanness in swine?
- Foot
  - Skull
  - Flank
  - Knees
31. Which of the following Body Condition Scores would be the most appropriate for a pregnant cow?
- BCS 1
  - BCS 4
  - BCS 6
  - BCS 8

32. A 1300 pound steer will consume what percentage of his body weight?
- 2%
  - 6%
  - 8%
  - 10%
33. Which of the following species is a “seasonal breeder”?
- Sheep
  - Cattle
  - Hogs
  - Horses
34. The average dressing percent for hogs is closest to?
- 60%
  - 70%
  - 80%
  - 90%
35. A steer on a “finishing diet” would most likely be consuming what % protein?
- 8%
  - 12%
  - 18%
  - 22%
36. The main energy nutrients found in Animal rations are?
- Proteins
  - Amino Acids
  - Fats
  - Carbohydrates
37. What organ in the female reproductive tract produces the eggs?
- Cervix
  - Ovaries
  - Uterus
  - Vulva

**Use the following scenario to answer questions 38-39**

Rank these Yorkshire Boars to be utilize in a commercial operation. After years of using a HD cross (Hampshire x Duroc), the owner decides to utilize a Yorkshire sire to create highly prolific replacements. The chosen boar will be mated to HD sows, with the 80% of the resulting female progeny retained in production, while all culls are sold on a lean value basis.

38. Which of the following traits (EPD’s) would be the most important for selection of the Yorkshire boars?
- MLI (Maternal Line Index)
  - LWT (litter weight)
  - TSI (Terminal Sire Index)
  - Back Fat

39. What traits are the F1 HD sows expected to contribute to this cross?

- a. Milk
- b. Litter size
- c. Maternal Strengths
- d. Terminal Strengths

**Use the following scenario to answer questions 40-42**

Rank these Limousin bulls to be utilized in a 3-way rotational crossbreeding system in the western Dakota's with Angus and Hereford consisting of the other breeds. Cattle are run in large pastures with minimal supervision. The top 30% of replacements will be retained; all cull progeny are feed out in custom feed yard, and marketed on a balance grid.

40. Which of the following EPD's (Expected Progeny Differences) would be the most important for the Limousin Bulls?

- a. Marbling
- b. \$Grid
- c. \$MTI
- d. Yield grade

41. Which trait is not expected of the Angus breed to contribute to the cross?

- a. Birth weight
- b. Milk
- c. Muscle
- d. Fleshing ability

42. The part of the scenario that says "cattle are run in large pastures with minimal supervision suggest which column is important?

- a. Yearling Weight
- b. Birth Weight
- c. \$MTI
- d. Weaning Weight

**Use the following scenario to answer questions 43- 45**

You are given the following performance data on a class of Hampshire ewes

	60 Day Wt.	120 Day Wt.	Milk	Maternal %	Lamb Crop	Genotype
1	0.7	1.1	0.8	2.1		RR-NS
2	1.8	2.1	0.1	1.9		RR-NN
3	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.8		QR-NN
4	0.0	0.2	-0.1	3.4		RR-NN

43. Which ewe is the most progressive in her growth columns?

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3
- d. 4

44. Which ewe is a carrier for the spider gene?
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4
45. Which ewe is the most susceptible to scrapie?
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4

**Use the following data to answer questions 46-50**

You are given the following performance information on a class of Angus bulls:

	BW	WW	YW	M	\$EN	Marb	REA	\$B
1	-1.0	54	71	24	2.7	.19	.12	46
2	2.1	61	88	23	2.3	.22	.24	48
3	5.3	58	92	11	0.9	.26	.29	48
4	2.0	55	77	19	-2.1	.12	.01	44

46. Which Bull should sire daughters that are the heaviest milking?
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4
47. Which bull has problem free data?
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4
48. Which bull would be best used as a strictly terminal sire?
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4
49. Judging from the data given which bull's offspring should rail with the highest quality grade carcass?
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4.
50. Judging from the data given which bull's offspring should rail with the best yield grades?
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - d.

# Answers to FFA Exam

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| 1. A  | 39. D |
| 2. C  | 40. C |
| 3. A  | 41. C |
| 4. B  | 42. B |
| 5. D  | 43. B |
| 6. C  | 44. A |
| 7. D  | 45. C |
| 8. D  | 46. A |
| 9. A  | 47. B |
| 10. B | 48. C |
| 11. B | 49. C |
| 12. B | 50. C |
| 13. B |       |
| 14. D |       |
| 15. A |       |
| 16. A |       |
| 17. B |       |
| 18. B |       |
| 19. C |       |
| 20. C |       |
| 21. A |       |
| 22. C |       |
| 23. B |       |
| 24. C |       |
| 25. C |       |
| 26. A |       |
| 27. D |       |
| 28. A |       |
| 29. A |       |
| 30. C |       |
| 31. C |       |
| 32. A |       |
| 33. A |       |
| 34. B |       |
| 35. B |       |
| 36. D |       |
| 37. B |       |
| 38. A |       |