

4-H Cavy Project Record Book

Lee County 4-H Program

Place a photo of you and your cavy
here.

Name: _____

4-H Age (Age as of Sept. 1st): _____

Number of years in 4-H: _____

4-H Club: _____



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Information for 4-H Cavy Youth Participants and their Families:

Welcome to the 4-H cavy project. The 4-H cavy project is a wonderful project to learn about the care and maintenance of having a small pet, while learning valuable life skills such as record-keeping.

This record book will help youth prepare for questions that will be asked in cavy showmanship and for the Southwest Florida and Lee County Fair. Parents are encouraged to help their child read and process the questions and activities throughout the book. Please remember this book is the project of the youth.

4-H Parent or Guardian Information

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____





Cavy Project Summary

My Cavy's name is: _____

My Cavy's favorite thing to do is: _____

A boy cavy is called a boar.

A girl cavy is called a sow.

My Cavy is a:

(Check One)



_____ Boar

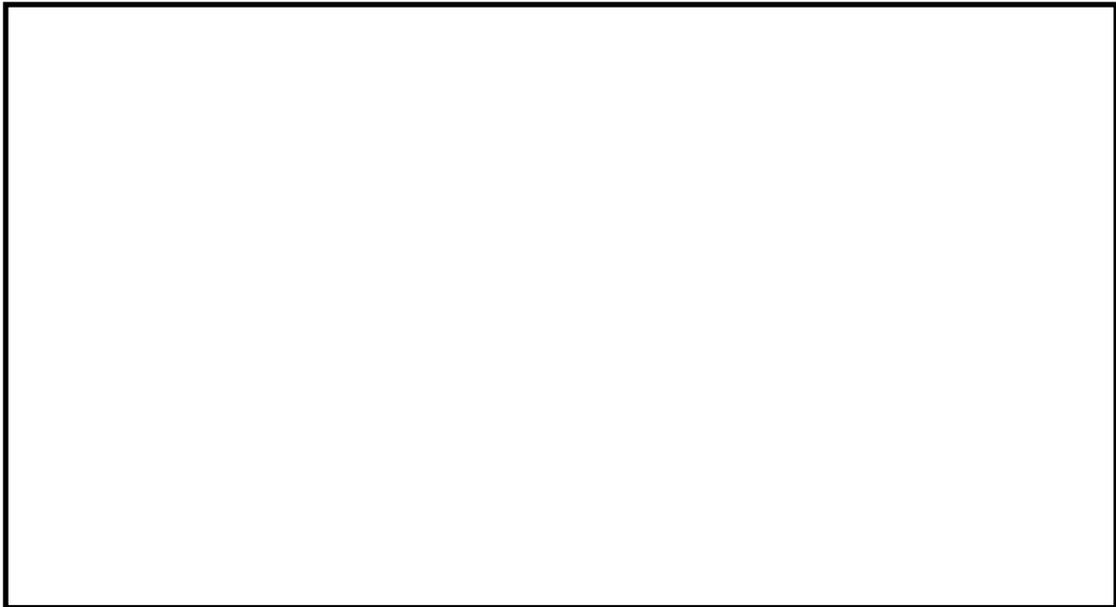
_____ Sow

My favorite part about my 4-H cavy project was:

My least favorite part about my 4-H cavy project was:

I attended ____ (number) 4-H club meetings this year.

Draw a Picture of Your Cavy



My Cavy's breed & variety:

Where does your cavy live? Write about his or her house:

What was the most important thing you learned this 4-H year:



Cavy Breeds

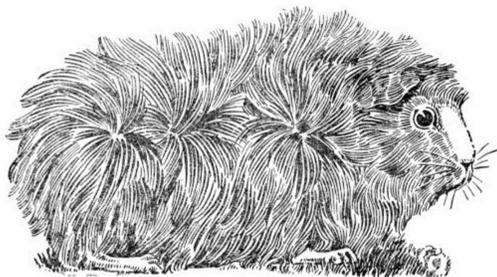
Identify the breeds below.

To find the breeds, you may use the American Rabbit Breeder's Standard of Perfection, or get help from your 4-H leader, mentor, or Lee County 4-H Cavy Skill-a-thon Study Guide.



This breed has a smooth coat that comes in a large variety of colors and patterns.

What is this breed?



This breed has swirls in their hair called rosettes.

What is this breed?



Cavy Health and Care

What does not belong? Figure out which word does not belong and cross it out.

Example: Cavies need... Food, air, and ~~chocolate~~.

1. Cavies have ... ears, beaks, feet, and teeth.
2. Cavies can eat ... carrots, spinach, metal, and parsley.
3. My cavy should not eat ... cheese, apples, or oranges.
4. Vegetables that I feed my cavy are ... fresh, wilted, and clean.
5. Teeth, eyes, and toenails continue to grow throughout a cavy's life.

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word.

1. My cavy always needs clean, _____ to drink.
2. I make sure my cavy has _____ and water every day.
3. Cavies have _____ toes on their front feet.
4. I clean my cavy's cage _____ times per _____ .



Cavy Health and Nutrition

To keep my cavy healthy, I need to make sure I...

(Put an **X** next to all that apply to keep your cavy healthy.)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Give Fresh Water Daily. | <input type="checkbox"/> Provide a source for Vitamin C. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Provide clean bedding and cage space. | <input type="checkbox"/> Check for signs of disease. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Check and treat for lice or mites. | <input type="checkbox"/> Block the cage from fresh air. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Give pregnant/nursing sows more water. | <input type="checkbox"/> Keep the cage free from pests. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure my cavy is warm enough. | <input type="checkbox"/> Bathe and trim toenails. |

True or False: Circle the best answers.

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|---|------|-------|
| 1. Cavies cannot get parasites. | True | False |
| 2. A cavy's water bottle needs to be washed weekly. | True | False |
| 3. A cavy's teeth will continue to grow. | True | False |
| 4. It is not important for cavies to eat vegetables. | True | False |
| 5. It is safe to feed wet or moldy feed to your cavy. | True | False |

List three reasons why domestic cavies live in cages.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



Cavy Project Story

Tell about the most important thing you learned during your cavy project this year.

Tell what you want to learn about in your cavy project and why.
