Blue Ribbon 4-H Animal Science and Horse Presentations

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Elements of Public Speaking

- Eye Contact
- Gestures
- Language
- Posture
- Voice dynamics/articulation
- Appearance
- Visual aids
- Handling questions
- Handling distractions
Visually:

- **Visibility:** easy to read
- **Simplicity:** message is easy to understand
- **Interest:** attracts & hold attention
- **Useful:** words, lettering, pictures are suitable for audience

**Structure:** ideas are grouped in sequential order

**Information:** is factual, reliable and is current
Visuals Used Today Include

- Power Point
- Posters
- Video
Rules & Regulations

Rules ARE NOT Made to be broken!
Each participant should be prepared to present an illustrated talk or method demonstration in an area of animal science such as animal genetics, production, nutrition, management or marketing practices. The presentation can deal with animal species such as beef, dairy, swine, poultry, goats, sheep and other livestock. (Method demonstrations and illustrated talks related to horses must be presented in the "4-H Horse Activity."
Note: Presentations dealing with animal abnormalities, disease prevention and therapeutic practices, surgical procedures, etc., should be given in the veterinary science activity. Illustrated talks should make full use of visuals and experience. A Junior will be limited to a two-to-five-minute talk. Senior talks will be from five to eight minutes. The judges reserve the right to ask questions related to the topic discussed in the illustrated talk or method demonstration.
The Score Sheet

- Judged Categories
- Description of Expected Content in Each Section
- Points Allocated for Each Section
# Method Demonstrations - Illustrated Talks

## Score Sheet

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**Other Information: ________________________________

**HOW TO SCORE:**

### I. Presentation

A. Introduction
   1. Introduced self and demonstration ________ (15)
   2. Caught attention of audience and created interest ________
   3. Gave purpose of presentation and told why selected subject ________
   
   **Comments: ________________________________

B. Body
   1. One idea presented ________ (40)
   2. One idea thoroughly developed ________
   3. The idea communicated to audience ________
   4. Important points clearly stated ________
   5. Presented information in a logical order ________
   6. Interesting and useful ________
   7. Educational ________
   8. Used accurate and up-to-date information ________

   **Comments: ________________________________

C. Summary
   1. Major points reviewed ________ (15)
   2. Short and concise ________
   3. Practical questions answered accurately ________

   **Comments: ________________________________

D. Use of Equipment and/or Visuals ________ (10)
   1. Well-selected, neat, and organized ________
   2. Used effectively ________

   **Comments: ________________________________

### II. Demonstrator

A. Appearance – neat, well-groomed ________ (20)
   
   **Comments: ________________________________

B. Good posture ________

C. Voice clear, distinct, and used correct grammar ________

D. Showed confidence, poise, enthusiasm ________

   **Comments: ________________________________

### III. Time – 5 points penalty for over ________ under ________ Total ________

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I. Presentation

A. Introduction: 15 points
   1. Introduced Self & Introduction
   2. Caught Attention of Audience & Created Interest
   3. Gave Purpose of Presentation & and told why subject selected
I. Presentation

B. Body: 40 points

1. One Idea Presented
2. One Idea Thoroughly Presented
3. The Idea Communicated to Audience
4. Important Points Clearly Stated
5. Presented Information in Logical Order
6. Interesting and Useful
7. Educational
8. Used Accurate and Up to Date Information
I. Presentation

C. Summary: 15 points

1. Major Points Reviewed
2. Short and Concise
3. Practical Questions Answered Accurately
I. Presentation

D. Use of Equipment and Visual Aids: 10 points

1. Well-selected, Neat, and Organized
2. Used Effectively
II. Demonstrator: 20 Points

A. Appearance- Neat, well-groomed
B. Good Posture
C. Voice clear, distinct and used correct grammar
D. Showed confidence, poise, and enthusiasm
III. Time

5 Points  Over _____  Under ______
Power Point Presentations

- Use lists and bullets to accentuate your points.
- Use simple backgrounds: a solid color, or perhaps a blend of two colors.
- Color visuals increase willingness to read by up to 80%.
- Animation can be a powerful tool.
Power Point Basics

Type size should be 18 points or larger:

- 18 point
- 20 point
- 24 point
- 28 point
- 36 point
Power Point Basics

- Dark letters against a light background are best for smaller rooms and for teaching.

- Avoid red-green combinations because a significant fraction of the human population is red-green colorblind.
Power Point Presentation Techniques

- Do not read presentation from the screen.
- Use movement, gestures and eye contact to emphasize points in presentation.
Power Point Presentation Techniques

• Arrange the LCD projector and screen so you are not standing directly in front of the screen and blocking the view.

• Stand to the left of the screen.

• Bring an extra copy of presentation on a disk for emergencies
Summary

- Catchy introduction and opening comments.
- The body of the visual presentation where you actually show and tell how to do something.
- Use of Visual Aids
- Presenter poised and confident
- Review/summary
- Questions from the judges
Questions?