



Sheep

The Sheep Project

Are you responsible? Do others trust you to follow through with a commitment? Being responsible is a skill everyone should have. Learning to be responsible can start by caring for an animal. When you care for an animal, you are responsible for providing everything the animal needs. To do this, you need to know about your animal and how to take care of it. Raising sheep can be fun. Sheep projects are suitable for young people of any age. Search for the best sheep for your budget. Set goals for your project and select sheep to achieve those goals. The most expensive sheep are not always the best. You will not go out and buy a guaranteed champion. Develop your champion with your hard work at home.

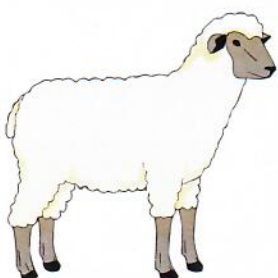
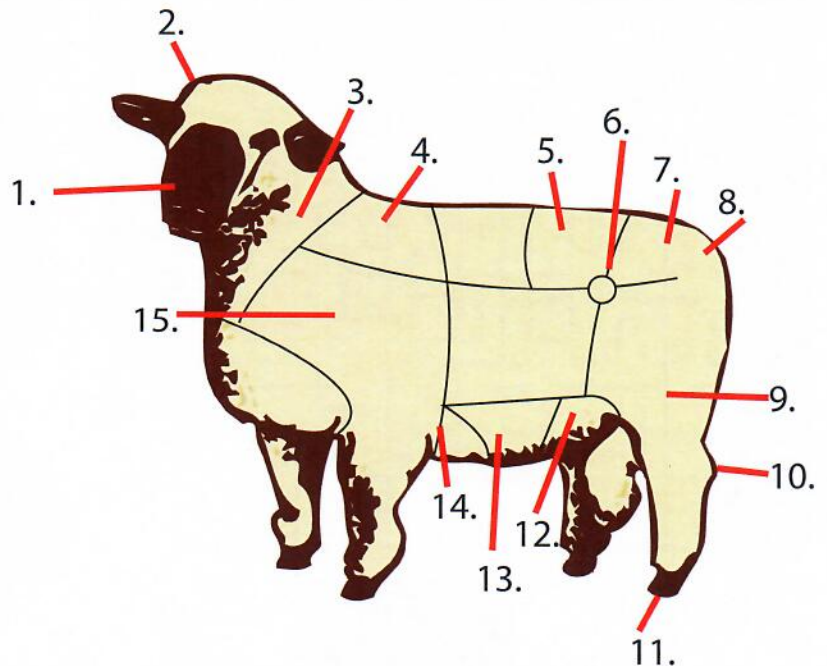
Did You Know?

- Female sheep are called ewes.
- Male sheep are called rams.
- Young sheep younger than 14 months are called lambs.
- Market sheep show at a minimum weight of 80 pounds.
- Sheep meat is lower in fat and cholesterol than beef, pork or poultry.

Identify the Parts of a Sheep

Identify the body parts of a sheep by placing the number location in the blank

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|-------------------|------------------------|
| ___ a. Belly | ___ i. Leg |
| ___ b. Dock | ___ j. Loin |
| ___ c. Face | ___ k. Neck |
| ___ d. Fore Flank | ___ l. Rear Flank |
| ___ e. Forehead | ___ m. Rump |
| ___ f. Hip | ___ n. Shoulder |
| ___ g. Hock | ___ o. Top of Shoulder |
| ___ h. Hoof | |



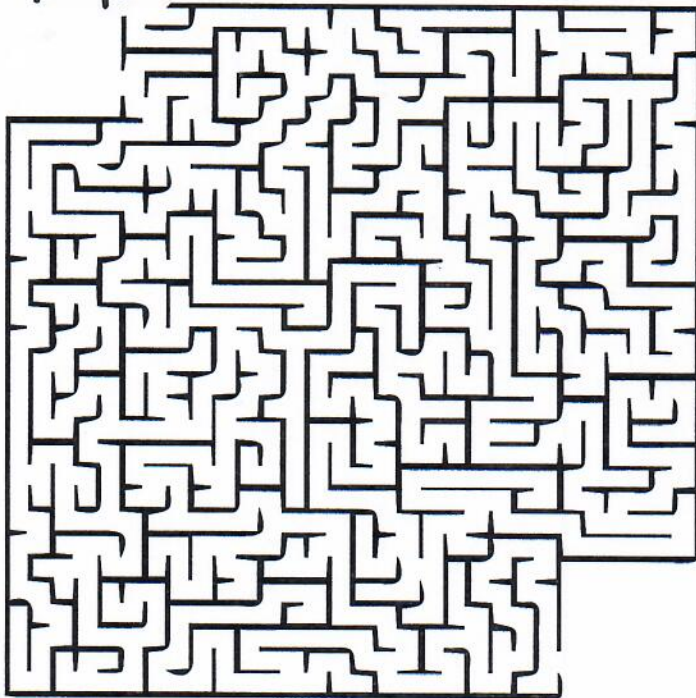
A policeman in the big city stops a man in a car with a sheep in the front seat. "What are you doing with that sheep?" he exclaimed, "You should take it to the zoo!" The following week, the same policeman sees the same man with the same sheep in the front seat, only this time they both were wearing sunglasses. The policeman pulls him over. "I thought you were going to take that sheep to the zoo!" The man replied, "I did. We had such a good time we are going to the beach this weekend!"

Fun Facts:

- Sheep have good memories. They can remember at least 50 different individual sheep and humans for years.
- Sheep don't have teeth in their upper front jaw.
- Birth weight for lambs ranges from 5-8 pounds.
- There are over 40 breeds of sheep in the U.S. and approximately 900 different breeds in the world.
- Sheep have a field of vision around 300 degrees, allowing them to see behind themselves without having to turn their heads.
- Sheep have a split in their upper lip which allows them to select the preferred leaves off of a plant.



This lamb has wandered away from the rest of the flock. Help him get back to the barn.



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Word Search

Find and circle the words in the puzzle.

Sheep	Ram	Lambs							
Market	Feed	Exercise							
Ewe	Breeding	Water							
Z	P	O	K	U	T	G	Q	Y	Z
G	N	I	D	E	E	R	B	Q	F
E	M	X	D	N	K	P	H	E	P
P	S	A	V	Y	R	W	E	E	E
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L	A	M	B	S	E	W	Y	V	E
A	H	L	D	Y	H	X	Q	J	R
C	N	Y	O	J	I	C	E	W	E

Where do sheep take a bath?

-In the baaa-th tub-

How do sheep greet each other at Christmas?

-Merry Christmas to Ewe-



M, 7, N, 15, O, 4
 D, 14, E, 2, F, 6, G, 10, H, 11, 1, 9, J, 5, K, 3, L, 12,
 ANSWERS TO PARTS OF SHEEP: A, 13, B, 8, C, 1,

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