

Moderator/Judge Information

Scoring:

- No partial credit in any Phase except if team bonus question is earned.
- No loss of points for incorrect answers in any Phase.
- Phase A – 2 points; Phase B – 3 points; Phase C – 1 point
- Team Bonus – A team bonus question can be earned if 3 different member of the team correctly answers a Phase C question. Partial credit can be earned for correct answers in team bonus question.
- If bonus question is earned by a team, scorekeeper will notify the moderator and round will pause to ask appropriate team bonus question. Round will continue in this manner until completion of the round.
- Team bonus questions use Phase B, team question, format.
- Maximum of 2 team bonus questions and 6 pts can be earned by each team in a round/match.
- 3-member teams – During Phase A, the 4th question will not be asked.

Team Questions (Phase B):

- The members of the team will be encouraged to discuss the answer and will have a paper and pencil provided. The team captain or designee will begin the answer within 20 seconds.

Buzzing In (Phase C):

- When a member buzzes in, they should wait for you to acknowledge them before they begin their answers. Remind members of this if they fail to wait. If a member repeatedly speaks out, you may deduct a point from their score.
- If a player buzzes in and answers incorrectly, reset the buzzer and allow members from the other team to attempt the

- question. If neither team answers correctly, please share the answer with the members so that they will learn.
- If a player buzzes in before you have finished reading the question, stop reading the question. If the member is incorrect, you may re-read the question for the members of the other team.
 - If you have completed the question before a member buzzes in and he is incorrect, you will not re-read the question for the other team. They will be expected to buzz in within 5 seconds of resetting the buzzers.

Miscellaneous Information:

- Remind the members to sit in the same order for each round. This makes the official scorekeeper's job much easier.
- Members should be respectful, even in disagreeing. A team captain (and only the team captain) may challenge if you deem an answer incorrect. If you can explain why the answer was wrong, that should end the challenge. If the member persists, you should ask for a final ruling from the contest official. If a member is repeatedly disrespectful, you may deduct points for that behavior, or in serious cases, you may remove them from the round.
- If an answer given is not what is written in the packet, but your experience tells you it is correct, accept it. Be consistent in what you accept or choose not to accept.
- If a correct answer is a range (example 40-60 days), the answer given must fall within the range. (35 to 45 would be incorrect, but 45 would be correct.)
- Most of all, keep in mind that the 4-H'ers are here to learn and have fun.
- Thank you for giving your time and talents to the 4-H Dairy Program!