



NEW YORK STATE 4-H MEAT GOAT JUNIOR RECORD BOOK

What is your name? _____

How old are you? _____

Who is your 4-H leader? _____

What is the name of your club? _____

Type of project? _____ Market Kid
 _____ Breeding Stock Doe Kid or Yearling
 _____ Breeding Stock Adult Doe

When did you start this project? Month _____

Day _____

Year _____

When did you finish this project? Month _____

Day _____

Year _____

ALL ABOUT MY GOAT

My goat's name is : _____

My goat is a _____ Buck _____ Doe _____ Wether

My goat has a _____ tattoo number
_____ eartag number

The number is: _____ left ear _____ right ear

My goat was born : Month _____

Day _____

Year _____

My goat weighed _____ pounds at birth OR

My goat weighed _____ pounds when I bought him/her

The breed of my goat is _____

My goat is _____ polled

_____ disbudded

_____ horned

Here is a photograph of my goat

RECORDS I KEEP ON MY GOAT

For market kid or breeding stock kid projects

My goat was weaned on this date: _____

I brought my goat home on this date: _____

If disbudded, my goat was disbudded on this date: _____

If castrated, my goat was castrated on this date: _____

method used? _____ rubber band _____ knife _____ burdizzo

For breeding doe projects

My goat was bred on these dates: _____

She was bred to: _____

(write in buck's name, breed, and number if known)

My goat kidded on this date: _____

she had _____ buck kids _____ doe kids

For all projects

Was your goat ever sick? _____ yes _____ no

What was your goat sick with?

What did you do when your goat was sick?

What sort of medicine did your goat get?

What is the name of your veterinarian? Dr. _____

Some of the things my veterinarian does with my goat are:

RECORDS I KEEP ON MY GOAT)

These are the shots my goat had already had when I got him/her

Type of shot	Dates given
_____ Clostridium C & D toxoid	_____
_____ Tetanus toxoid	_____
_____ Selenium and Vitamin E	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

These are the shots I got for my goat after I got him/her

Type of shot	Dates given
_____ Clostridium C & D toxoid	_____
_____ Tetanus toxoid	_____
_____ Selenium and Vitamin E	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Goats can get parasites. What are parasites?

Some of the parasites goats can get are worms, coccidia, and lice.

My goat was dewormed, treated for coccidia, or treated for lice on these dates:

type of medicine	dose given	dates
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

FEEDING MY GOAT – Part 1

My goat is a ruminant. Unlike me, she chews her cud.

_____ I have watched my goat chew her cud.

_____ I have seen a cud.

Unlike me, she has four parts to her stomach. One of these sections is the rumen where food is fermented by tiny bugs or micro-organisms.

_____ I have smelled my goat's breath to see how these bugs produce stinky gases when they are digesting her food.

Roughage is food that is high in fiber.

_____ I have scraped grass with a serrated plastic knife to find the fiber in the grass.

A roughage I feed my goat is:

My goat started to eat this when he/she was _____ weeks old.

Concentrates are foods that are high in energy.

A concentrate I eat is:

A concentrate I feed my goat is:

My goat started to eat this when he/she was _____ weeks old.

Animals also need protein to grow and live.

I get my protein from:

My goat gets protein from:

When my goat was born he/she could not eat much fiber. He/she could not eat roughage or grain.

Instead, my goat got protein and energy from _____.

The type of milk I fed my goat was _____.

How many times a day did you feed him/her this milk?

Who helped you feed the milk?

Did you use a bottle or what to feed the milk?

FEEDING MY GOAT –Part 2

For kids you are hand rearing

My kid gets: type of milk _____
 type of milk replacer _____

I started him/her on this when he/she was _____ weeks old

I give it to him/her _____ once _____ twice _____ three times daily

I give it to him/her in a _____

I give him/her _____ fluid ounces of milk or milk replacer every day

I stopped feeding him this when he was _____ weeks old

For kids after weaning

My kid started eating concentrate when he/she was _____ weeks old

At weaning he ate _____ pounds of grain daily

Now he eats _____ pounds of concentrate daily

The kind of concentrate he gets is:

My kid started eating hay when he/she was _____ weeks old

The kind of hay he /she gets is:

My hay weighs about _____ pounds per bale

At weaning my kid ate about _____ pounds of hay per day (how many days did it take to use up a whole bale feeding your kid?_____).

Now my kid eats about _____ pounds of hay per day (how many days does it take you to use up a whole bale feeding your kid?_____).

My kid also eats:

_____ mineral salt, type of mineral salt:

_____ pasture, type of pasture:

_____ other:

For does:

My doe eats ____ pounds of concentrate daily. The kind of concentrate she eats is:

My doe eats ____ pounds of hay daily. The kind of hay she eats is:

My hay weighs about _____ pounds per bale. A bale lasts her about ____ days.

My doe also eats:

_____ mineral salt, type of mineral salt:

_____ pasture, type of pasture:

_____ other:

WHAT I FEED MY GOAT

attach labels from any milk replacers or commercial grain or salt mixes you fed here.

also staple on baggies filled with samples of the hay, pasture and/whole grains you feed. Be sure to lable each bag with masking tape telling what is in it.

TASKS I CAN DO

- _____ I can feed my goat.
- _____ I can measure the right amount of concentrate to feed my goat.
- _____ I can measure the right amount of hay to feed my goat.
- _____ I can water my goat.
- _____ I can brush my goat.
- _____ I can read a thermometer.
- _____ I can take my goat's temperature.
- _____ I can drench my goat.
- _____ I can lead my goat.
- _____ I can read a scale or a weigh tape.
- _____ I can set up a tattooer or eartagger with the proper numbers someone asks me to put in.
- _____ I can put the rubber bands on an elastrator.
- _____ I can tell if a goat is a buck, doe or wether.

Who taught your goat to lead?

Who taught your goat to tie?

What are three signs of a healthy goat?

What are some signs that your goat might be sick?

Name three parts of a goat's body:

Can you point out these parts on a live goat?

I have watched a goat being:

I helped by:

_____ born

_____ disbudded

_____ tattooed or eartagged

_____ weighed

_____ trimmed (hooves)

_____ clipped (hair)

_____ milked

_____ vaccinated

_____ wormed

I have eaten goat meat _____ yes _____ no

If you have tried goat meat, how did it taste to you?

GOAT'S FINANCIAL RECORD

How many adult does are included in this financial record?

How many kids are included in this financial record?

- 1) Hay costs for total year: _____
- 2) Concentrate costs for total year: _____
- 3) Mineral (salt, etc.) costs for total year: _____
- 4) Health costs for total year: _____
- 5) Other costs for total year: _____
What were some of these other costs?

6) Total costs for the year: _____

7) Total cost per goat: _____

Sale price of kid(s) or yearling(s) needed to break even: _____

Current market value of kid(s) or yearling(s): _____

Actual price received if sold: _____

For adult doe projects:

Profit or loss (market value of her kids at weaning – total costs to support the doe and her kids): _____

Did you make other income from your goat project or get other value from the project?

Explain:

HOW IS MY GOAT GROWING?

(use this page to record the weight of your market kid or breeding stock kid or to weigh your breeding doe's kids – OR use one of the graphs on the next two pages)

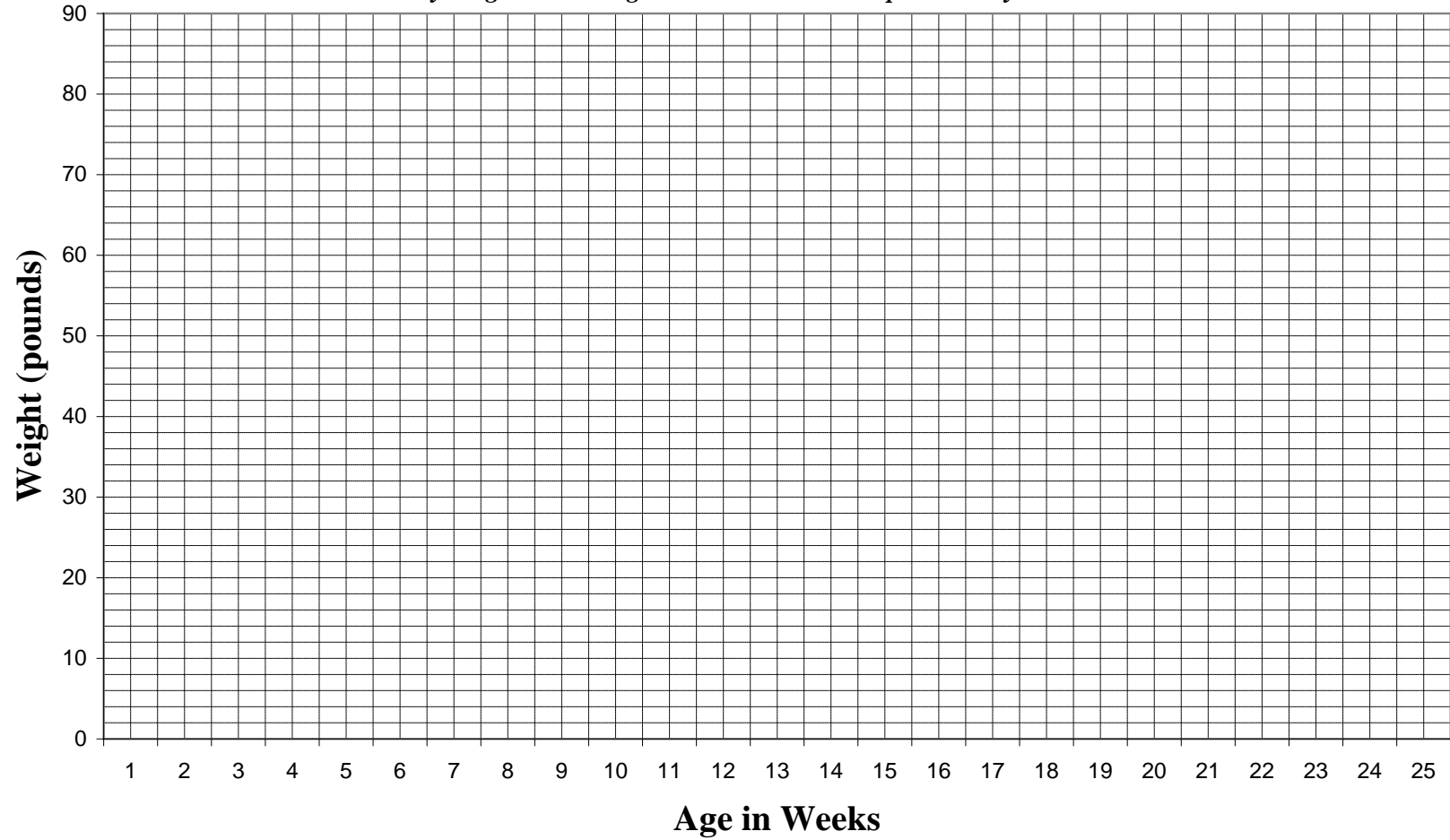
method of weighing: _____ scale _____ measuring tape

KID NAME OR ID	BIRTH DATE	BIRTH WEIGHT

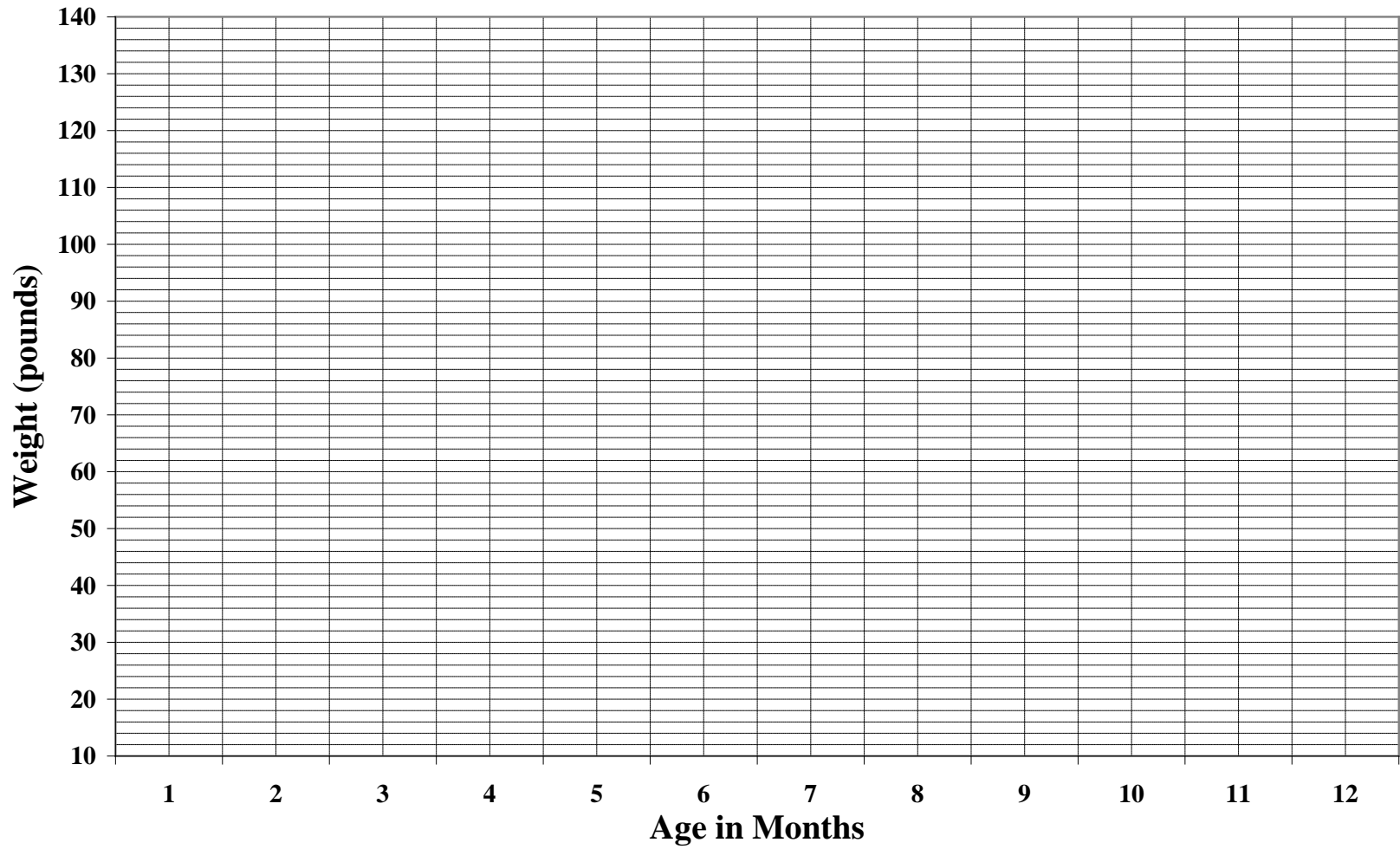
KID ID	DATE	AGE	WEIGHT	DATE	AGE	WEIGHT

When my kid was sold or slaughtered, he/she weighed _____ pounds and was _____ weeks old.

Graph Your Kid's Growth - *it is a good idea to weigh young kids every week or two to make sure they are growing well and do not have a health problem. Try to weigh the same day of the week. A young kid should grow at least 1/3 to 1/2 pound daily.*



Graph Your Kid's Growth - *as your kid gets older you may only weigh him once a month. If so, try to weigh him about the same time each the mont.h*



SUMMARY OF MY PROJECT

The thing I enjoyed most about this project was:

My biggest difficulty with this project was:

The most exciting thing I learned to do was:

The hardest thing I learned to do was:

What agricultural public presentations, talks, articles, fieldtrips, or workshops did you participate in or present to your club, school, community, or the general public: