

CAT STUDY SHEET

Project Year _____

All notebooks must be bound in a three ring binder; no loose notebooks will be accepted. Each notebook must include a decorative cover, title page, copy of notebook requirements, and table of contents. Notebooks are to be updated each year that the exhibitor enters the project area to show their improvement. Use tab dividers to separate each project year. Write the year completed in the lower right corner of each page. The project will be judged on neatness and completeness.



Cat's Name: _____

Date of Birth or Approximate Age: _____ Breed: _____

Gender: _____ Coat Color: _____ Eye Color: _____

How did you get your cat or how did you choose it? _____

Describe your cat's housing, feeding and watering routines, grooming, etc. _____

Daily Habits: _____

Personal story of your experiences with your cat: _____

Why is being a cat owner important to you? _____

**Include notebook requirements with this project.
Use additional sheets if necessary.**

CAT NOTEBOOK REQUIREMENTS

First Year Notebook Requirements

1. Describe your cat's breed or the breed it most resembles. What country did the breed come from? Explain some of the standards for that breed such as color, size, personality characteristics, etc. What is the history of that breed?
2. Report on external parasites (fleas, ticks, mites, lice, and ringworm). Explain how they are treated or prevented.
3. Create and label a diagram of the external parts of a cat.
4. Report on a cat related career.
5. Report on your cat's health history. What you do to keep your cat healthy? List important trips to the vet, vaccinations, and annual boosters. Explain any illness or injury your cat may have experienced.
6. Attach photographs of your cat.

Second Year Notebook Requirements

1. Name and describe three cat breeds. Include origin, breed standards, and history.
2. Report on internal parasites common to cats (roundworms, hookworms, tapeworms, whipworms, and coccidia). Explain how are they treated and prevented?
3. Create and label a diagram of a cat's eye. Report on the vision of cats.
4. Report on the pros and cons of neutering or spaying cats.
5. Include an updated report on your cat's health history for the current year.
6. Attach additional photographs of your cat.

Third Year Notebook Requirements

1. Name and describe three additional cat breeds. Include origin, breed standards, and history.
2. Report on Rabies, Feline Leukemia, and Feline Panleukopenia (Distemper). Tell how it spreads, who carries it, symptoms, treatment, and prevention.
3. Describe the signs of a sick cat and how to care for one.
4. Report on the pros and cons of declawing.
5. Include an updated report on your cat's health history for the current year.
6. Attach additional photographs of your cat.

Fourth Year Notebook Requirements

1. Name and describe three additional cat breeds. Include origin, breed standards, and history.
2. Report on respiratory diseases of the cat. Feline infectious peritonitis, feline viral rhinotracheitis, and feline caliciivirus. Explain how it is spread, who carries it, how it is treated, and how it can be prevented.
3. Create and label a diagram of the internal organs of a cat. Report on the digestive system of a cat.
4. Report on cat nutrition. Explain how a cat's health is directly related to its diet?
5. Include an updated report on your cat's health history for the current year.
6. Attach additional photographs of your cat.

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