

# Questions for Fitting and Showing Competitions: Sheep

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## **Junior 4-H Questions**

1. What is the sex of your lamb?
2. What do you call the opposite sex?
3. What is the breed of your lamb?
4. Name another breed of sheep?
5. What vaccinations has your lamb received?
6. What wormer has your lamb received and how was it administered?
7. Name body parts of sheep
8. Name wholesale cuts of lamb.
9. What is average daily gain (ADG)?
10. What is the ADG of your lamb?
11. What has your lamb been eating?
12. How much do you feed it per day? (I try to get them to answer in pounds)
13. What percentage protein is in your feed?
14. What is a subcutaneous (s.c., SubQ) injection and where do you give it?
15. What is an intramuscular (IM) injection and where do you give it?
16. What is the meaning of withdrawal time for a drug?

*In the Junior Finals, some Intermediate/Senior 4-H/FFA Questions may be used to break ties*

## Intermediate/Senior 4-H/FFA Questions

### Any of the Junior 4-H Questions Plus:

1. What do you call an intact male sheep?
2. What are female sheep called?
3. Name 5 key nutrients.
4. What is a normal body temperature for sheep?
5. What is gestation length in sheep?
6. What is the estrus cycle length?
7. How many rams would you need to breed 100 ewes?
8. What is a meat (or ram) breed? Name two.
9. What is a wool (or ewe) breed? Name two.
10. What is a dual-purpose breed? Name two.
11. Why are sheep not fed animal protein by-products?
12. What is scrapie?
13. What is Codon 171?
14. What is T.S.E.?
15. What is B.S.E.?
16. What is entropion?
17. What is a normal birth weight for a lamb?
18. What would be an average life expectancy for a ewe?
19. How many stomachs does a sheep have?
20. Name the stomachs of a sheep?
21. What do you call an animal with four stomachs?
22. Name two grains.
23. Can you safely feed beef feed to your lamb? Why or why not?
24. Can you safely feed swine feed to your lamb? Why or why not?
25. Name one vitamin and one mineral contained in your sheep feed.
26. What do you like or dislike about this lamb?
27. If you could improve your lamb what part or attribute would you change?
28. How did you prepare your lamb for the show?
29. What is the spider gene?
30. Do you know if your lamb is free of the spider gene?
31. What is the *callipyge* gene?
32. Do you know if your lamb has the *callipyge* gene?
33. Define Veterinary-Client-Patient Relationship
34. Name one (or more) sheep disease and tell me what you know about it?
35. What is a prolapse? Symptoms? How to treat? (There is more than one type)
36. What is coccidiosis? Symptoms? How to treat?
37. What is polioencephalomalacia? Symptoms? How to treat?
38. What is ovine ecthyma? Symptoms? How to treat?
39. What is mastitis? Symptoms? How to treat?
40. What is pneumonia? Symptoms? How to treat?
41. What is white muscle disease? Symptoms? How to treat?
42. What is grass tetany? Symptoms? How to treat?
43. What are the USDA Lamb Yield Grades?
44. What does USDA Lamb Yield Grade refer to?

45. What factor(s) is (are) used to determine USDA Yield Grade?
46. What is the USDA Yield Grade of your lamb (or that lamb)?
47. What are the USDA Lamb Quality Grades?
48. What does USDA Lamb Quality Grade refer to?
49. What factor(s) is (are) used to determine USDA Quality Grade?
50. What is the ideal market weight (or Yield Grade, fat thickness or ribeye area)?

**Other Skillathon type questions:**

Protein requirements of lambs of various ages

Identify retail cuts

Roast (Usually at least 2 inches thick) versus steak or slice (usually  $\frac{3}{4}$  to 1 inch thick)

Leg cuts, loin cuts, rib or rack cuts, shoulder cuts, shank, breast, neck, riblets

Identify various parasites such as round worms, tape worms, keds, ticks, lice, flies

Identify feedstuffs such as molasses (smell it), soybean meal, corn, wheat, oats, barley, peas, limestone (its ground up rock with no smell), meat and bone meal (smell it), grass hay versus alfalfa hay versus straw.

Identify sheep equipment

Wool judging

Hay judging