

4-H Story

Type of Story

Some counties allow members to write one story (Total Experience) covering their entire year in 4-H. Other counties ask that you write a story about each individual project. Please check below which type of story your county allows. (Lemhi County Extension 4-H requirement.)

Total Experience

Writing Your Story

As with any story, you should tell about things you did, experienced, or learned by participating in 4-H. Be sure to tell about important items not found in your other 4-H records.

You can use the following statements to help you outline your story:

- a. Introduce yourself. Include why you joined 4-H and/or chose the project(s) that you did.
- b. Tell about things you enjoyed learning or doing. (*Experience*)
- c. Tell about results, difficulties, or challenges you had. (*Share*)
- d. Explain how you would improve your project(s) or 4-H year. (*Process*)
- e. Tell what you learned about yourself through your 4-H participation. (*Generalize*)
- f. Explain how you could use the life and/or project skills you learned in other areas of your life. (*Apply*)

Length and Format Guidelines

You can type or hand-write your story. If you hand-write the story, use pencil or ink on lined white notebook paper. If a typewriter or computer is used to write the story, use double line spacing on plain white paper. Write on one side of the paper. Leave a wide enough margin so the story can be read if inserted into a report cover.

Juniors (8- to 11-year-olds): 1 to 4 pages

Intermediates (12- to 14-year-olds): 1 to 6 pages

Seniors (15- to 18-year-olds): 1 to 8 pages

Attach 4-H story at the end of the project(s) section, separated by a tab marked 4-H Story; just in front of the Involvement Report (Lemhi County guidelines).

Additional County Requirements (if any): Contact your County Extension Office for additional county requirements.

Photos (Lemhi County)

Photos may be placed on the separation tabs between projects or be included in the 4-H Story section.

