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Parts of a Rabbit

The names of the different parts of a rabbit are listed below. Place the number of the correct part on the blank next to the line that points to that part of the rabbit. Point to the part on your body that most closely resembles the rabbit parts.

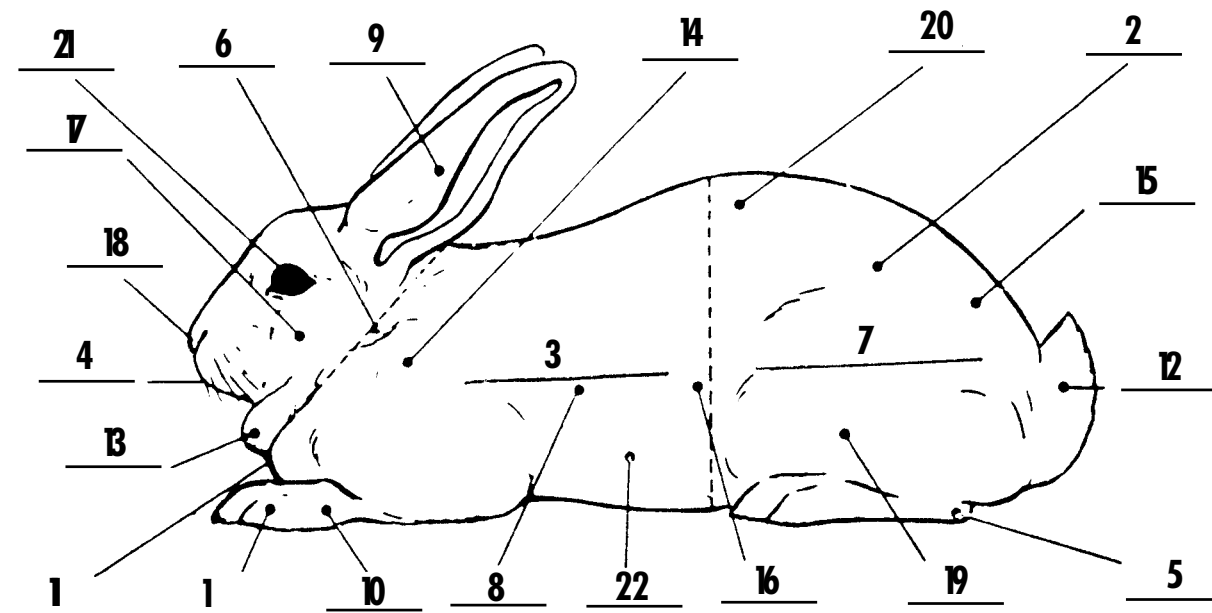
Identification—Key

In this activity you will:

- become familiar with the external body parts of a rabbit.

Word List

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|----------------|----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. toes | 5. hock | 9. ear | 13. dewlap | 17. cheek | 20. loin |
| 2. hip | 6. neck | 10. foot | 14. shoulder | 18. nose | 21. eye |
| 3. forequarter | 7. hindquarter | 11. chest | 15. rump | 19. leg | 22. belly |
| 4. mouth | 8. rib | 12. tail | 16. flank | | |



Source: ARBA Standard of Perfection, 1991-1995

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Breeds of Rabbits

Word Scramble—Key

In this activity you will:

- become familiar with fifteen breeds of rabbits.

Complete scrambled words to learn fifteen breeds of rabbits.

1. erx	<u>R</u> <u>e</u> <u>x</u>	
2. solphi	<u>P</u> <u>o</u> <u>l</u> <u>i</u> <u>s</u> <u>h</u>	
3. cdhut	<u>D</u> <u>u</u> <u>t</u> <u>c</u> <u>h</u>	
4. mhfeils atngi	<u>F</u> <u>l</u> <u>e</u> <u>m</u> <u>i</u> <u>s</u> <u>h</u>	<u>G</u> <u>i</u> <u>a</u> <u>n</u> <u>t</u>
5. lbgenia reah	<u>B</u> <u>e</u> <u>l</u> <u>g</u> <u>i</u> <u>a</u> <u>n</u>	<u>H</u> <u>a</u> <u>r</u> <u>e</u>
6. tiasn	<u>S</u> <u>a</u> <u>t</u> <u>i</u> <u>n</u>	
7. yeerjs loyow	<u>J</u> <u>e</u> <u>r</u> <u>s</u> <u>e</u> <u>y</u>	<u>W</u> <u>o</u> <u>o</u> <u>l</u> <u>y</u>
8. nlehntedra rwfda	<u>N</u> <u>e</u> <u>t</u> <u>h</u> <u>e</u> <u>r</u> <u>l</u> <u>a</u> <u>n</u> <u>d</u>	<u>D</u> <u>w</u> <u>a</u> <u>r</u> <u>f</u>
9. kedccrehe iangt	<u>C</u> <u>h</u> <u>e</u> <u>c</u> <u>k</u> <u>e</u> <u>r</u> <u>e</u> <u>d</u>	<u>G</u> <u>i</u> <u>a</u> <u>n</u> <u>t</u>
10. rlfncianaai	<u>C</u> <u>a</u> <u>l</u> <u>i</u> <u>f</u> <u>o</u> <u>r</u> <u>n</u> <u>i</u> <u>a</u> <u>n</u>	
11. nfechr pol	<u>F</u> <u>r</u> <u>e</u> <u>n</u> <u>c</u> <u>h</u>	<u>L</u> <u>o</u> <u>p</u>
12. ewn leaznda	<u>N</u> <u>e</u> <u>w</u>	<u>Z</u> <u>e</u> <u>a</u> <u>l</u> <u>a</u> <u>n</u> <u>d</u>
13. lanhhicicl	<u>C</u> <u>h</u> <u>i</u> <u>n</u> <u>c</u> <u>h</u> <u>i</u> <u>l</u> <u>l</u> <u>a</u>	
14. roldfia theiw	<u>F</u> <u>l</u> <u>o</u> <u>r</u> <u>i</u> <u>d</u> <u>a</u>	<u>W</u> <u>h</u> <u>i</u> <u>t</u> <u>e</u>
15. ivresl ramnet	<u>S</u> <u>i</u> <u>l</u> <u>v</u> <u>e</u> <u>r</u>	<u>M</u> <u>a</u> <u>r</u> <u>t</u> <u>e</u> <u>n</u>

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Rabbit Vocabulary

Fill in the Blanks—Key

In this activity you will:

- become familiar with terms used in your rabbit project.

Fill in the blanks to complete the sentences using words from the list below.

Combine the circled letters in each answer to spell a word that you should be familiar with when raising rabbits.

dewlap	fryer	junior	lapin	nest box	slobbers	wool
doe	hindquarters	kindle	litter	rabbitry	tattoo	wry tail
ear canker	hutch	kit	malocclusion	senior	wolf teeth	

- Rabbits that fulfill the weight requirements of their breed and are six months of age and older in those breeds having two show classes or eight months of age and older in those breeds having three show classes would be shown in the s e n i o r class.
- To put a permanent identification mark in a rabbit's left ear would be to t a t t o o the rabbit. If the rabbit is registered with the American Rabbit Breeder's Association, the A.R.B.A. number would go in the right ear.
- The h i n d q u a r t e r s is the section of the rabbit's body containing the loin, rump, hips, and hind legs.
- This term refers to an inherited defect where the upper and lower jaws do not let the teeth meet correctly. Resulting in long, uneven teeth extending out of the rabbit's mouth, m a l o c c l u s i o n keeps the rabbit from eating and chewing correctly.
- When a doe gives birth she is said to k i n d l e.
- A tail that is curled or twisted permanently to one side, or is a corkscrew tail with one or more turns is called a w r y t a i l.
- A rabbit with s l o b b e r s salivates excessively leaving the fur wet and unsightly around the mouth and lower jaw.
- The folds of loose skin that hang from the throat of a doe is called a d e w l a p.
- A female rabbit is called a d o e.
- W o l f t e e t h are long and in either jaw caused by improper alignment of the front teeth. These prevent normal eating action.

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11. The French word for rabbit is l a p i n. It is also a term for dyed rabbit fur.
12. A group of young rabbits raised by a doe is called a l i t t e r.
13. The r a b b i t r y is the place where a group of hutches and rabbits are kept.
14. A young meat rabbit under five pounds is called a f r y e r.
15. About 28 days after the doe is bred, you should put a n e s t b o x inside her hutch for the kits to be born in and live in for the first 18 to 21 days.
16. An inflamed, scabby condition in the lower inside of a rabbit's ear is called e a r c a n k e r. This is caused by ear mites.
17. Before you get your rabbit you will need to build or buy a h u t c h so your rabbit will have a place to live.
18. A baby rabbit that weighs less than 16 ounces is called a k i t.
19. The fur of Angora rabbits is called w o o l.
20. Rabbits that are under six months of age and fulfill the weight requirements of the breed are shown in a j u n i o r class.

Now combine the circled letters to spell out the name of the book that lists the characteristics for each recognized breed of rabbits as approved by a registering organization. This book is called the S t a n d a r d o f
P e r f e c t i o n.