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Projects – A 4-H project is an area of emphasis in which a 4-H'er enrolls, studies, learns and keeps records. The 4-H Adventures flyer lists all of the project areas in 4-H from A to Z.

Exhibits – A 4-H exhibit is an item resulting from project work that the 4-H'er has chosen to bring to the fair and have evaluated by a judge. For example: a 4-H'er may enroll in the woodworking project area and choose to bring a birdhouse to the fair that he/she constructed.

A member may have several exhibits all in the same project area: Food and Nutrition Project may have chocolate chip cookies, yeast bread and preserved tomatoes. When it is time to complete 4-H records, all three of these exhibits would all be part of the Food & Nutrition Project write-up.

There may be things that a 4-H'er works on in a project area that they never take to the fair as an exhibit.

Examples:

Swine – The 4-H'er identifies three pigs for the fair, but they grow too fast or slow to be market weight for the fair. The 4-H'er would still keep records on their expenses and enter those into the 4-H records.

Visual Arts – The 4-H'er draws several pictures that he/she gives to friends or family. The 4-H'er would still be able to write about these pictures for their 4-H records.

On the next page, identify each of the 15 items as being a project or an exhibit by indicating that in the line in front of each. Utilize 4-H 200 to assist you.

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For each PROJECT, give an example of an exhibit that could be an outgrowth of that project. For each EXHIBIT, give an example of a project area that the 4-H'er could have enrolled in.

(P or E)	Item	SOME ideas about projects/exhibits
E	A wooden shelf that you made	Woodworking, or...
P	Photography	Photo, collection of photos, or...
P	Poultry	Laying hen, poultry health poster, or...
E	Chocolate Chip Cookies	Food and Nutrition, or...
P	Clothing	Sewn garment, purchased shoes, or...
P	Beef	Market steer, beef grades poster, or...
E	Redecorated Bedroom	Home Improvement, or...
E	Breeding Ewe #35	Sheep
E	Portrait you painted	Visual Arts
E	Beans you grew	Crop Production
E	Photo of the river	Photography, or...
P	Mechanics	Electrical circuit, or...
E	Market Heifer	Beef
E	Meat Rabbit Pen	Rabbits
P	Food & Nutrition	Cookies, or calorie poster, or...