

4-H at Home

ON THE GO LESSON

BIOSECURITY CHARADES



INCLUDES
BIOSECURITY ACTION CARDS

4-H PROJECT AREAS
ANIMAL SCIENCE

INCLUDED SUPPLIES

- *Biosecurity action cards*

ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES

- *Stopwatch*
- *Paper for scorekeeping*
- *Other friends or siblings to play!*

BACKGROUND

The health of your animals is very important. Whether on the farm or at a show, you should be mindful of the actions you take to keep your animal healthy. This charades activity is a great way for you to model the steps you should be taking when you are around your animals!

DO REFLECT APPLY

First, split all the players into two groups and decide which group will act first. One person from Team A will draw an action card, and, when ready, a player from Team B will start the timer for 45 seconds and the person from Team A with the action card will begin acting out the activity listed. Team A then has 45 seconds to guess the action that their teammate is acting out. If they guess correctly, they earn 1 point. Then, Team B will repeat the same process. The process will continue until all the action cards are acted out. Add up the points and decide on the winner!

Talk amongst your team about the biosecurity practices that were acted out. Which actions do you think were the most important? Can you brainstorm any other actions that you may do on your farm?

Think about how you can apply some of these actions when you work with your animals on the farm or at the fair. How can you improve your biosecurity and safe handling practices?



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Disinfecting Shared Equipment	Using Personal Protective Equipment	Washing Your Hands
Vaccinating Your Animals	Controlling Flies and Other Insects	Preventing Wildlife from Entering Your Farm
Cleaning Boots	Providing Clean Water to Your Animals	Hauling and Disposing of Manure
Cleaning and Disinfecting Facilities	Purchasing Healthy Animals	Keeping Human Food Away from Animals
Sterilizing Tack	Sterilizing Shovels, Buckets, and Other Equipment	Reporting Sick Animals to Parents or Veterinarian
Monitoring Farm Visitors	Posting Biosecurity Signs	Separating Sick Animals from the Herd