

ACBA Youth Royalty Study Guide

Here is the study guide for you to study for the written test as well as for the interview questions. Another resource that will also be utilized is the *Cavy Resource Handbook: A 4-H Guide to Guinea Pigs*. If you don't already have one, you can purchase one through the 4-H Mall under curriculum. Here is the link to the page: <https://shop4-h.org/products/cavy-curriculum-resource-handbook> .

There will be different tests for the four age groups. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at azcavycountry@yahoo.com.

Count/Countess (under 9)

- Cavy care
- Feed
- Breeds
- Sex
- Basic Cavy knowledge such as how many teeth they have, boar, sow, pups, how many toes they have on their front/back feet, where an ear tag goes, and they should know about their guinea pig
- Housing/Equipment
- The following terms: Impaction, Malocclusion, Pea eye, abscess, lice (what it looks like), Polydactyl

Duke/Duchess (9-11)

They need to know all the Count/Countess stuff plus the following:

- Varieties (not all of them)
- Basic diseases/illnesses listed in the *Cavy Resource Handbook: A 4-H Guide to Guinea Pigs*
- Basic faults
- Basic nutrition
- Schedule of points for your cavy
- Weight classes
- Be familiar with the breeds (coat types)
- Know the following terms: CONDITION, FRONTAL, HEAD FURNISHINGS, INTERMEDIATE, JUNIOR, SENIOR, LONG-HAIRED BREED, LUSTER, MANE PEDIGREE, POLYDACTLY, REAR SWEEP, RESILIENCY, ROMAN NOSE, Rosette, SHEEN, SHORT-HAIRED BREEDS, SIDE SWEEPS, SMOOTH COATED

Prince/Princess (12-14)

They need to know all the above plus the following:

- Faults (not basic ones)
- Disqualifications
- Recordkeeping
- Registering a cavy
- Grand Champion cavies
- Health
- Nutrition (not basic ones)
- Schedule of points for your breed/variety as well as the following:
 Abyssinian, White Crested, American, Texel & Peruvian

King/Queen

They need to know all the above plus the following:

- Cavy care and well-being
- Selection of a cavy
- Ear tags
- Breeding
- Schedule of points for all the breeds.
- All the vocabulary words in the Standard of Perfection under the cavy glossary
- The diseases/illnesses listed in the *Cavy Resource Handbook: A 4-H Guide to Guinea Pigs*