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Swine Facts

- Swine were among the first of all animals to be _____, around 6,000 years ago.
- Insulin and about _____ other medicines are made from pigs.
- Pig heart valves have been used to replace damaged human heart valves.
- People around the world eat more pork than any other meat. In the US it ranks behind beef and poultry.
- Hogs have small eyes and poor eyesight.

Barrow

- A _____ male swine

- A uncastrated male swine

Corn Belt

- Part of the United States where the major _____ is corn. Iowa, Indiana, Missouri and Nebraska are all in this part of the U.S.

- The birthing process for swine.

Farrowing Crate

- A pen which a _____ is put in to deliver and nurse piglets.
- It allows piglets to nurse but prevents the sow from _____ the piglets by setting on them.

Farrow to Finish Operation

- A business that deals with every step in raising pigs, from _____ to farrowing and feeding for _____.

Feeder Pig

- A pig that weighs between _____ pounds and is prepared to be fed for slaughter.

Gestation

- The period of time between when a sow is bred to when she begins farrowing, which is around _____. (Pregnant)

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- A female swine that has not given birth.

Herd

- A group of pigs kept together that may not be _____ linked.

Litter

- A group of piglets born at the same time to the same mother. Normal litter size is _____ piglets.

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- The preferred weight for a pig to be at time of slaughter. Preferred weight is 240 to 260 pounds.

Nursery

- The stage in-between _____ and feeding out for slaughter.

Pig

- A young swine not yet at market weight. Usually weighs around _____.

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- A young male or female swine.

Shoat

- A pig that is designated as a _____ pig that weights between 60 and 160 pounds.

Show Pig

- A pig that has been chosen because of its superior and outstanding _____ to be taken to competitions called shows.

Sow

- A female swine that has produced at least _____ of piglets.

Stag

- A male pig castrated after _____.

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- The manner in which pigs are removed from the sow and are no longer allowed to depend on the mothers milk for food.