



Parent's Guide to Helping Your Cloverbud do a 4-H Presentation

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What is a 4-H presentation?

A 4-H presentation is a fun way for your child to develop public speaking skills by sharing their knowledge of a topic with others. Young 4-Hers usually do demonstrations, which show how to do something. Presentations involve posters and maybe a few demonstration items.

What topics can be used?

The sky is the limit for topics! Encourage your child to be creative. Perhaps he or she could talk about his/her favorite hobby. Or maybe they are an expert crafter. Show how to make their favorite snack. Topics should be fairly simple, but one that the child feels comfortable discussing.

How long should the presentation be?

It is suggested that cloverbud presentations last 2-4 minutes, but we really just want to encourage them to stand before a group and develop basic skills that they will use for the rest of their life.

What should the posters look like?

There are no specific requirements for posters. However, the following graphics may give you an idea of what to do.

<p>How to Make a Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>By: Johnny Smith Age 6</p> <p>Orange County 4-H Club</p>	<p>Materials Needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-2 pieces of bread-peanut butter & jelly-knife & plate/napkin <p>Steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Use the knife to spread peanut butter on one slice of bread.2. Spread jelly on the other slice.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Place the two pieces together to make a sandwich.4. Enjoy! <p>Summary:</p> <p>Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches are fun, easy to make and good for you! I hope you have fun making your own PB&J!</p>
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Title poster

Materials & Steps

Steps (cont.) & Summary

Hints for Success

- ❑ Remember that the purpose of the presentation is youth development. Serve as a *guide* to the project, but allow your child to take the lead, plan what he or she will say, etc.
- ❑ Posters should be light colored with dark letters for ease of reading. Encourage the 4-Her to design the poster, either by writing the words, tracing your lettering, or drawing a picture that complements his or her topic.
- ❑ Practice at home, so your child feels comfortable when giving the presentation for the club.
- ❑ Support, encourage, and praise your young speaker. Have a great time!