



4-H Photography Contest Score Sheet

Name: _____ Age: _____ County: _____

Category: 4-H in Action Nature's Beauty Humor

Title: _____

Judges: Evaluate the following components by placing number of points earned (0-5) beside each criteria in the points column. Add points for an overall total. Judges scores will need to be averaged and discussed to arrive at a combined (average) score for each participant to determine ribbon color.

Points to Consider	Points	Judges' Comments
I. PHOTO STORY (20 points)		
A. Did the photographer introduce self and provide the title of photo? (5 pts)		
B. Did he/she describe the photo's subject, action, setting? (5 pts)		
C. Did he/she talk about the methods used to capture the image? (5 pts)		
D. Did the photographer tell the "story" behind the photo in such a manner that you felt part of the photo? (5pts)		
II. CREATIVITY (15 points)		
A. Photo uses the subject to deliver a message in a creative way (5pts)		
B. Photo/subject captures the attention of the viewer (5pts)		
C. Creative use of camera (5pts)		
III. LIGHTING (10 points)		
A. Eposure (not underexposed or washed out, or overexposed with dark images and lack of detail) (5pts)		
B. Brightness (Image and details stand out clearly) (5pts)		
IV. FOCUS (15 points)		
A. Camera held steady (5pts)		
B. Appropriate part of image in sharp focus and defined (5pts)		
C. The focus is appropriate to the theme or mood of the photo (5pts)		
V. COMPOSITION/ARRANGEMENT (15 points)		
A. Has a definite subject (5pts)		
B. Pleasing selection and arrangement of subjects within picture area (5pts)		
C. Perspective enhances the image (5pts)		
VI. RELEVANCY TO CATEGORY TOPIC (10 points)		
A. Does the photo illustrate the category in which it is entered (5pts)		
B. Does the picture's title reflect the category in which it is entered (5pts)		
VII. POISE/PRESENCE (15 points)		
A. Does the photographer have self-assurance, yet a pleasant manner? (5pts)		
B. Does the photographer make eye contact? (5pts)		
C. Is the photographer presentable in appearance? (5pts)		
Total Points		

Final Rating: (circle appropriate one) **Blue (90-100)** **Red (75-89)** **White (74 or below)**