Choose a 4-H project topic you know 
(keep it simple.) For table-top exhibits, 
put your title or topic on your tri-fold board.

- List the important steps in order.
- Outline the explanation of each step.
- List the materials/supplies needed.

Plan visuals—posters, signs, labels on props, etc.

- Write an introduction—something catchy to get everyone’s attention. Be original and brief.
- Write the body of the demonstration—this is the show and tell part. Talk while you are working. For interactive table-top exhibits, plan a 1-2 minute oral explanation to present to the judges.
- Write a summary. Make sure the audience understands what you have told them. Show a finished product when possible.

Always face the audience. Stand erect, use good posture.

- Speak clearly and loud enough for everyone to hear
- Use posters—don’t forget the title poster.
- Practice food safety in food demonstrations.
- Keep the area clear between what you are doing and the audience.
- Ask for questions at the end.
- Say, “This concludes my demonstration” when finished.
4-H Project Demonstration

GOAL: To practice combining verbal & visual skills to communicate a message.

One step in completing your 4-H project is SHARING what you’ve learned with others.

- **4th and 5th graders** SHOW HOW to do something as you TELL HOW to do it. Sometimes you simply teach facts by using visuals and props.
- **6th – 8th graders** share your project by creating a table-top exhibit on a specific topic. If you need help developing your idea, call Mrs. Janet at the 4-H Office, or talk to your 4-H volunteer leader. Use your 4-H project activity page for a resource.

List ideas for demonstrations. Remember that “how to” demonstrations are helpful and fun for the audience.

Communications Skill Building

Your assignment is to make a demonstration/exhibit about your 4-H project and bring it to the club meeting on ________________________

Here are a few rules:
- No live animals!
- Must relate to a 4-H project.
- Must be an individual demonstration or table-top exhibit.
- Local club awards include participation, 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each project represented in the contest.
- All 5th –8th grade participants are eligible for the County Project Fair and a chance to go to the Sub-Regional Contest.