



HOME ENVIRONMENT UNIT 7

Family Consumer
Science Projects

Home Environment Unit 7 -- Design Your Own MJ1507B

This is a self-determined unit and open to 4-H senior members only. Members are to use the Self-Determine Guide (MT3300B) as a guide to help them develop and report on their project.

1. Select an area in home environment in which you have a special interest and design a learning experience.
 2. Develop a plan using the Self-Determine Guide (MT3300B)
 - Goals for what you wish to learn
 - How you will accomplish your goals
 - Resources you will use to reach your goals
 - How you will share with others what you learned
 - How you will evaluate whether you reached your goals
 3. Home Environment e-Record -- include the following information:
 - Goals
 - Accomplishments
 - Resources used
 - How you shared with others
 - How you will evaluate whether you reached your goals
 - Evaluation of your project
 4. Exhibit -- may be an item, an article, a display board or a notebook representing what was learned from the project. Please choose one to use as your exhibit.
 5. Judging Standards -- two aspects of the project will be judged:
 - Home Environment e-Record -- a written statement including the following information: goals, plan, accomplishments, resources used, how you shared with others, how you will evaluate whether you reached your goals, and an evaluation of your project. Ask these questions when writing the statement: How clearly are the goals stated? How well does the plan match the stated goals? How did you evaluate your project? What worked well and what did not? What would you change? What was most beneficial about this project? (Fifty percent of the judging will be on the written statement.)
 - A drawing or copy of a plan for the article exhibited must be included in the e-record. The drawing does not have to be original or created by the exhibitor. The drawing or plan must include dimensions, list of materials used, and a description of any changes made in the article's specifications by the exhibitor. Reasons for changes must be described. The drawing or plan itself will not be judged.
- Exhibit -- the item or article will be measured against these criteria (25 percent on the item made):
- General appearance -- clean and attractive
 - Workmanship
 - Durability
 - Appropriateness for intended use
 - Construction techniques, accuracy and precision
 - Finish is smooth, evenly applied, suitable for style and design of piece
 - Piece is solid and secure
 - Upholstery (if used): firm weave, pleasing design, in proportion to overall piece
 - Use of line, texture, color, and elements of design
- Education notebook or display board
- Educational merit
 - Creativity
 - Accuracy of information
 - Neatness (legible, well-organized)
 - Quality