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Swine Facts

- The term "swine" means a porcine animal raised to be a feeder pig, raised for consumption and utilization.
- A sow can give birth to a litter of 7 - 12 piglets.
- Gestational time for a sow is 3 months, 3 weeks, and 3 days.
 - That's adds up to 114 days!
- A serving of pork tenderloin
 has the same amount of fat
 and slightly less calories than
 the same serving of skinless
 chicken breast.

Vocabulary

- PIGLET is a baby swine.
- **SOW** is an adult female pig, able to reproduce.
- BOAR is a male swine who can reproduce.
- GILT is a young female swine who hasn't had piglets.
- **BARROW** is a male swine who has been castrated similar to neutering a dog or cat.
- **GESTATION** the length of time from breeding to giving birth (known as farrowing) for a female swine.

DID YOU KNOW?

Swine (pig) heart valves have been used to replace human heart valves.

Bacon is one of the oldest processed meats in history.

Pigs DO NOT have sweat glands, so they roll in the mud to cool off.

Insulin, thyroid medication, and about 40 other pharmaceuticals and medicines are derived from pigs.

Swine Quiz How fast can a pig run a mile?*

- A. 10 minutes
- B. 15 minutes
- C. 7 minutes
- D. They can't run a mile

*For the correct answer, scan the QR code to find out.



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