

Different Kinds of Wool



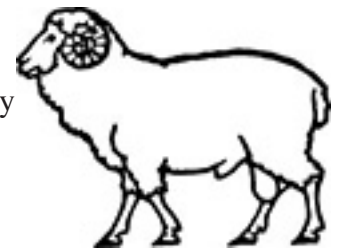
LAMBS WOOL is from the first shearing of the lamb, around seven months. It is shorter in length than wool from the adult sheep. It is softer and more elastic than regular wool and is very warm and durable.

CASHMERE WOOL is from the Cashmere, or Kashmir, goat. The wool has to be separated from the goat's coarser hair. This makes it more difficult to process than other yarns, but the wool is very fine and warm.



ANGORA WOOL comes from the angora rabbit. It is known for its silky texture, softness, thin fibers and fluffiness. It must always be blended with other fibers because it doesn't stretch like other kinds of wool.

MERINO WOOL is from a special breed of sheep. It is known for being softer than any other sheep's wool. Its insulation properties help regulate body temperature, providing warmth without overheating the wearer. It also draws moisture away from the skin. This is known as "wicking."



ALPACA WOOL is as soft as Cashmere and lighter than sheep wool. The yarn is warm, durable and very soft.

Bring samples of different kinds of animal fibers or items made from the fibers to class (alpaca, cashmere from goats, angora from rabbit, wool from sheep). Compare and contrast the different kinds of fiber and chart their similarities and differences.