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- b. Sow
- c. Barrow
- d. Boar

Question 2 – Which state in the United States produces the most hogs?

- a. Minnesota
- b. Iowa
- c. Texas
- d. Illinois

Question 3 – What is the most important nutrient for hogs?

- a. Carbohydrates
- b. Protein
- c. Water
- d. None of the above

Question 4 – True or False; The Hereford breed was developed by the Duroc and Poland China breeds.

- a. True
- b. False

Question 5 – True or False; Pigs are ruminant animals.

- a. True
- b. False

Question 6 – Name this black bodied pig breed that has 6 white points, including their nose, tail, and feet. They have erect ears and dished snouts.

- a. Hampshire
- b. Berkshire
- c. Poland China

Question 7 – Many of the odor problems from confinement operations are related to the release of _____ from manure.

- a. Sulfur
- b. Ammonia
- c. Carbon Dioxide
- d. Methane

Question 8 – What mineral do baby pigs raised on concrete need to have added to their diet?

- a. Iron
- b. Phosphorus
- c. Calcium

Question 9 – What does EPD stand for?

- a. Expected Progeny Difference
- b. Expected Projected Difference
- c. Estimated Progeny Difference

Question 10 – True or False; Mange is a parasitic skin disease in pigs caused by tiny mites that bores into the skin.

- a. True
- b. False

Question 11 – True or False; Baby pigs require temperatures of 80-90 degrees Fahrenheit.

- a. True
- b. False

Question 12 – Which breed of swine is the most popular breed of swine in the United States?

- a. Duroc
- b. Chester White
- c. Yorkshire

Question 13 – Where are most of the nutrients absorbed in the digestive system in a hog?

- a. Stomach
- b. Small Intestine
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