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# 4-H LEADS FOR LEADERS

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## THE RESOURCE LEADER

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Leader's Guide



A resource leader agrees to assist a 4-H club or members on a short-term basis or as needed. You may help with a project, activity, event or in a variety of other ways. You are a resource that was not available from the other volunteers in the club.

### Qualifications

The qualifications necessary for anyone assuming the role of resource leader are:

- interest in young people and ability to communicate with them;
- willing to devote the agreed upon amount of time and energy to working with youth;
- knowledge of the area you agreed to help with and ability to share your knowledge with others;
- patience and enthusiasm; and
- ability to work within the club framework to accomplish your task.

### Responsibilities

The resource leader works on a specific task for a designated length of time. This should be determined in your agreement with the person who contacted you. The resource leader is not responsible for organization and operation of the club unless it is your agreement.

## Some Examples

- A veterinarian or biology teacher may serve as a resource leader to veterinary science project members.
- A nurse may serve as resource leader to health project members or for a local meeting which emphasizes the health H in 4-H.
- A speech teacher or member of Toastmasters can serve as a resource leader to a 4-H club to assist 4-H members with activities such as demonstrations and talks.
  - A 4-H parent knowledgeable in camping and outdoor skills can be an activity resource leader once each year to help plan and conduct a family camping excursion for the 4-H club.

## Position Description

Use the format of the position description in the *Activity Leader's Guide* (90501M), to help design specific responsibilities.

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