

World of Wonder

Educational Standards and Suggested Activities

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Standards

- Current Events: Students will write an article about raising a pet pig.
- Science: Students will report on various pig breeds.
- Science: Students will report on pig intelligence.

Activities

1. Use the News: If you don't live on a farm, can you raise a pig as a pet? Which breeds make good pets and do not grow to enormous sizes? Can you housebreak a pig? Research and write a newspaper-style how-to article about caring for a pet pig.
2. Today there are about 73 different pig breeds. Where do they live? How are they different? Are they all used for food? Research and report on one or more breeds of pig from around the world.
3. How do scientists know pigs are smart? What do pigs do that proves their intelligence? Research this question and write a brief explanation of what you discover.

World of Wonder meets many state educational standards. This guide helps teachers identify standards and related activities generally intended for grade 6, but teachers can modify activities to the appropriate grade.