LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION I

(Common Livestock Breeds)

KCSE QUICK REVISION

Compilation of Possible Questions in Agriculture Likely to be Examined in KCSE.

A Special Analysis of Prediction Questions that may be Tested in KCSE from this Topic in Form 1.

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COMMON LIVESTOCK BREEDS

This topic entails the following:

- ✓ **Reasons of keeping livestock**
- ✓ **Parts of a cow**
- ✓ **Characteristics of indigenous and exotic cattle breeds**
- ✓ **Dairy cattle breeds**
- ✓ **Beef cattle breeds**
- ✓ **Dual purpose cattle breeds**
- ✓ **Pig breeds**
- ✓ **Sheep breeds**
- ✓ **Goat breeds**
- ✓ **Rabbit breeds**
- ✓ **Camel breeds**

The following relevant questions and their answers in this topic will greatly help and motivate the user to comprehend and understand the re1quired concepts and practices:

1. i) Name the breed of camel that is used for provision of quicker mode of transport and is & better adapted for arid conditions.

ii) Give two reasons why this species of camel is well adapted to North par of Kenya.

2.Give two reasons why jersey breeds is better suited for marginal areas than Friesians breed.

3. Name the major characteristics of indigenous cattle breeds.

4. Give the major features of exotic beef breeds

5. State two characteristics of goats that make them adaptable to arid areas of Kenya.

6. Give three ways used to improve & production in indigenous cattle.

7. Name the exotic cattle with

i) Highest butter fat content

ii) Lowest butter fat content

8. Give **two** distinguishing features between the following breeds of rabbits; Kenya white and California white

9. Give **four** reasons why most farmers keep livestock in Kenya

10. Give **three** ideal conformation features of beef cattle

11. (i) Name a dual purpose cattle breed reared in Kenya

ii) State **three** uses of a rotavator

12. Name a pig breed with the following features:

a) White body colour,

b) erect ears,

c) dished snout,

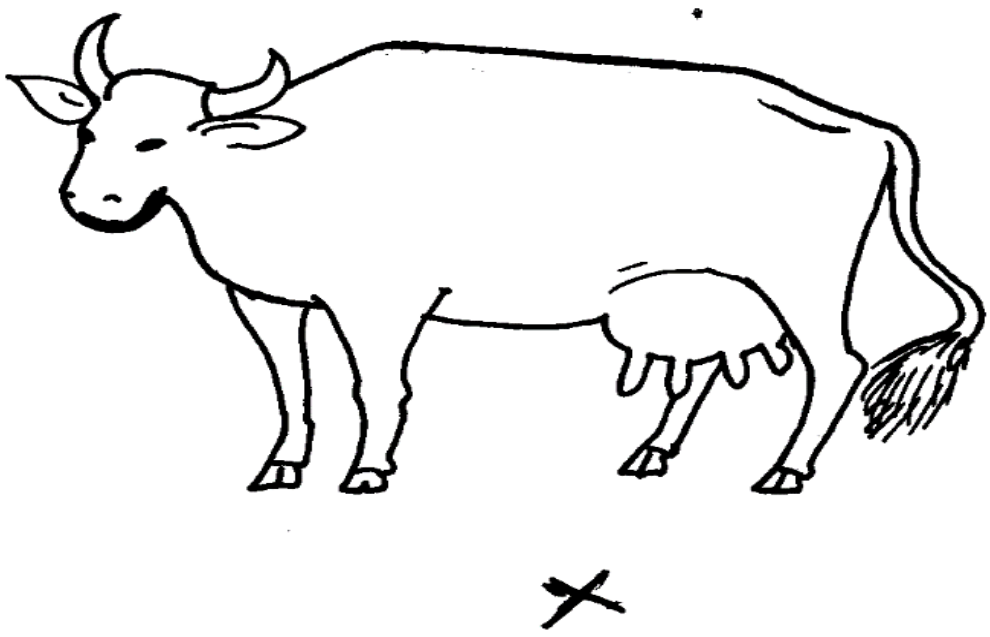
d) big in body size

13. What does the term '**epistasis**' mean in livestock improvement?

14. **(a)** Explain the role of livestock industry in Kenya's economy

(b) Outline the general characteristics of indigenous cattle

15. Below is a diagram of a cattle. Study it an answer the questions that follow:-



(i) What type of animal is represented above?

(ii) If you stand at a point marked **X**, state **five** characteristics that tells you that the animal belong to type name in **(i)** above?

(iii) State **three** areas on the body of a cow where ticks are commonly found

16. Name **four** breeds of dairy goats

17. List **two** distinguishing characteristics of Californian breed of rabbit

18. Name the common milk breed of goats reared in Kenya

19. Name **four** dairy cattle breeds reared in Kenya.

20. Differentiate between '**breed**' of animal and '**type'** of animal.

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