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LESSON NOTES

School: Ba Sangam College
Subject: Agricultural Science

Year/ Name: 10 _____
Worksheet: 20

Strand	AS 10.4 Livestock Production
Sub Strand	AS 10.4.1 Poultry
Content Learning Outcome	Recognize the importance of management practices in the rearing of poultry birds for better production and sustainability.

LESSON 2: RAISING POULTRY BIRDS – REARING PHASE

Lesson Outcome: At the end of this lesson the student will:

- i. list the management practice for the rearing phase of poultry birds
- ii. describe the management practice
- iii. discuss the importance of each management practice

Definitions:

Rearing - second phase of poultry management where they are allowed to grow.

Ad libitum - feeding at free will and feeds available all the time.

Point of lay - age at which layer birds start to lay eggs (around 18-20 weeks)

Notes:

The following rearing practice: feed, water, ventilation, light, disease, stocking, weighing management and are important components in the management of poultry birds.

The following are the standard rearing ages for broilers and layers in Fiji:

- **Broiler:** 3 weeks to 5 weeks
- **Layer:** 6 weeks to 18/20 weeks (till point-of-lay)

Activity Worksheet 20

1. State the ages at which broilers and layers are reared.

(2 marks)

2. Describe the seven fundamentals of rearing broilers and layers.

(7 marks)

Number	Fundamental	Brief description
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
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3. What is the importance of lighting to layer birds?

(2 marks)

4. Why should a poultry farmer be cautious of the management practice during the rearing phase?

(2 marks)

5. Define the term point of lay?

(2 marks)