



A Day in the Life of a Wildlife Rehabber!

Caring for the Wild: What It Takes to Raise Orphaned Deer!






NAME: _____

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You are a wildlife rehabilitator. Two baby deer have just arrived at your center. They are scared, hungry, and away from their mother. What will you do to help them grow strong and wild again?

Daily Care Questionnaire:

1. Feeding Time!

- What kind of milk or food will you give baby deer?
- (Circle the right ones)
-  Cow Milk |  Specialized Milk Formula |  Chocolate |  Leaves
|  Goat Milk

2. Schedule Check:

How many times do you think you'll need to feed a baby deer in one day?

- ☐ Once
- ☐ Twice
- ☐ Every few hours
- ☐ Only at night

3. Safe Space:

Where will you keep the baby deer so they feel safe and not scared?

- ☐ In a crowded street
- ☐ In a quiet, warm enclosure with soft bedding
- ☐ In a cage with barking dogs nearby
- ☐ In a cold metal room

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4. Staying Wild:

- Why should you avoid touching, hugging, or cuddling the deer too much?
- (Write your answer)

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5. Health Watch:

- What signs will you look for to know if the baby deer are sick or unhappy?
- (Tick all that apply)
- ☐ Not eating
- ☐ Jumping and playing
- ☐ Crying or weak sounds
- ☐ Sitting in one place all day
- ☐ Bright and alert eyes

6. Outdoor Time:

- When should the deer be allowed to go outside for some time each day?
- (Choose the best option)
- ☐ Right away
- ☐ When they are strong enough and weather is good
- ☐ Never
- ☐ Only at night

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7. Future Plans:

- When the deer are grown up, what will you do?
- (Choose one)
 - ☐ Keep them as pets
 - ☐ Release them into a zoo
 - ☐ Help them return to the wild safely
 - ☐ Send them to a circus

8. What's in Your Rehab Kit?

- List 3 things you must keep ready every day for deer care:

A.

B.

C.



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Answer Key

1. Specialized Milk Formula
2. Every few hours
3. In a quiet, warm enclosure with soft bedding
4. Deer are wild animals and can get scared or stressed when touched too much. It's best to give them space so they feel safe and can heal better.
5. Not eating, Crying or weak sounds, Sitting in one place all day
6. When they are strong enough and weather is good
7. Help them return to the wild safely
8. A. Fresh water – So the deer stays healthy and hydrated.
B. Clean bedding – To keep them warm and comfy.
C. Milk or food – The right kind of food to help them grow strong.



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