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a. Pork Salt Extra
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c. Pale, Soft, Exudative
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Which factor listed would have the least effect on causing poor pork quality?
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Circle the correct answer.

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Intermediate Pork Quality Instructions

- Each participant is to read and answer each of the six questions.
- The participant may read and point to the correct answer or they may say them to you out loud.
- Please be sure that if they answer the questions out loud they are discreet and quiet enough that the next participant cannot hear the answers.

Scoring: Each question is worth 4 points each for a total of 24 points. Each person will be awarded 1 free point making this station worth 25 points for a grand total.

**This station has a total of 25 points.
Don’t forget the 1 free point.**

Thank you very much for volunteering to help with the skillathon. Please remember to complete the skillathon facilitator information sheet and leave it on your stations table at the end of the competition. Thank You!
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