

Knowledge Level 2 Study Guide



The 4-H horse project

- Know the basic requirements of the 4-H horse project
- *Suggested Resources: Chapter 1 4-H Horse Project Manual*

Horse Breeds, Conformation, and Movement

- Know and locate at least 15 parts of the horse from the following list: flank, barrel, jaw, poll, elbow, stifle, forearm, gaskin, cannon, pastern, coronet, loin, croup, dock, point of hip, hearth girth
- Identify Leg and face markings
- Know at least 4 horse or pony breeds (breed, origin, color, characteristics)
- Know the proper way and units for measuring a horse
- Know difference between a pony and a horse
- Be able to recognize the following colors / patterns: grey, palomino, appaloosa, buckskin, and pinto
- *Suggested Resources: Chapters 3 & 4 4-H Horse Project Manual*

Nutrition

- Understand how to tell if hay or grain is safe to feed
- Know how to store hay or grain safely
- *Suggested Resources: Chapter 5 4-H Horse Project Manual*

Health Care and Veterinary Knowledge

- Describe at least 5 basic symptoms that indicate that your horse might be in need of veterinary care.
- Know at least 2 ways you can tell if a horse is properly cooled out after work
- Know at least 2 reasons for daily hoof care
- Know at least 2 reasons why farrier (blacksmith) visits are necessary
- *Suggested Resources: Chapter 8 4-H Horse Project Manual*

Grooming and Bandaging

- Understand the proper procedure for daily grooming. Be sure to include body, mane and tail, and hoof care in your explanation.
- Know types of boots or bandages and the reasons for their use
- *Suggested Resources: Chapter 9 4-H Horse Project Manual*

Tack and Equipment

- Identify at least 5 major parts of both the saddle and bridle (English or Western)
- *Suggested Resources: Chapter 12 4-H Horse Project Manual*
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The riding aids & gaits

- Know how many beats are in a walk and trot
- Understand diagonals at the trot
- *Suggested Resources: Chapter 14 4-H Horse Project Manual*

Horse Handling / Barn Safety

- Know safe places to tie a horse
- Know things you should consider when safely leading a horse
- Know common stable vices
- Know types of fencing that are safe for horses
- *Suggested Resources: Chapter 17 4-H Horse Project Manual*

4-H Advancement Level Program

- Know how to advance through the 4-H Horse Level program
- Suggested Resources: Chapter 19 4-H Horse Project Man*