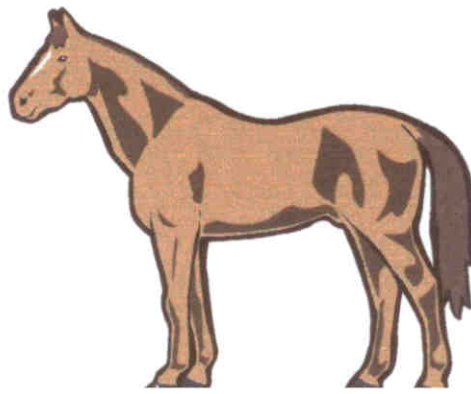


Osceola County 4-H Horsemaster Project

LEVEL 1 – NOVICE



Name: _____ 4-H Age: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Name of Club: _____

Name of Club Leader (s): _____

Years in 4-H Project: _____

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Section 1 – Knowledge

1. Describe where the best position(s) to handle your horse is and explain why you should always try to stay in it.

_____ (2)

2. Which side should you lead a horse from? _____ (1)
3. Which side should you mount a horse from? _____ (1)
4. When combing a horse's tail, where should you stand? _____

_____ (1)
5. Give an example of a blemish. _____ (1)
6. Give an example of an unsoundness. _____ (1)
7. Define each of the following terms: (8)
 - a. foal _____
 - b. weanling _____
 - c. yearling _____
 - d. colt _____

Section 1 – Knowledge (Continued)

7. Define each of the following terms:

e. filly _____

f. gelding _____

g. mare _____

h. stallion _____

8. Name the three things you should feed a horse: (3)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

9. What should you do if your horse runs away with you while you are riding him?

_____ (1)

10. What kind of footwear should you wear when you are working with your horse? Why?

_____ (2)

11. List four parts of a bridle: (4)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

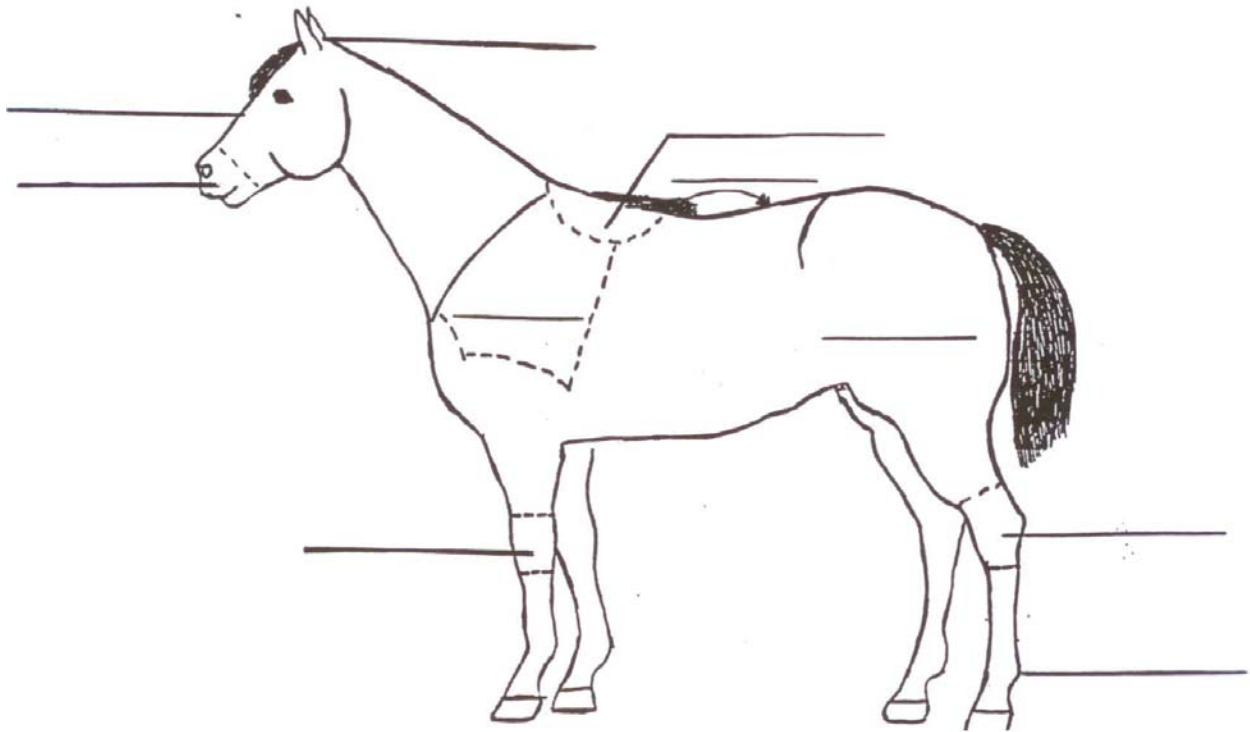
4. _____

Section 1 – Knowledge (Continued)

12. Number the correct parts of a horse:

(10)

1. Back
2. Face
3. Fetlock
4. Thigh
5. Hock
6. Knee
7. Muzzle
8. Poll
9. Shoulder
10. Withers



(Total Knowledge Points: 35)

Section 2 – Dismounted Abilities

Properly demonstrate the following to a designated inspector, who will check off each of these items on the date(s) you complete them.

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Inspector</u>
1. Identify three basic grooming aids. (3)	_____	_____
2. Demonstrate how to use each of the above aids with safe handling techniques. (3)	_____	_____
3. Correctly identify the color of your horse. (1)	_____	_____
4. Discuss or demonstrate how to water and feed a horse. (2)	_____	_____
5. Discuss or demonstrate how to catch a horse: a. in a stall with a halter on b. in a pasture or field with a halter on (2)	_____ _____	_____ _____
6. Demonstrate how to safely approach a horse that is unaware of your presence. (1)	_____	_____
7. Discuss or demonstrate how to properly clean out and bed a stall. (2)	_____	_____
8. Demonstrate how to lead a horse or pony with a: a. halter and lead rope b. bridle (2)	_____ _____	_____ _____
9. Demonstrate the proper distance to be maintained between horses when leading or showing in showmanship or halter. (2)	_____	_____
10. Demonstrate how to properly tie a safety knot. (2)	_____	_____

(Total Dismounted Points: 20)

Section 3 – Mounted Abilities

Properly demonstrate the following to a designated inspector, who will check off each of these items on the date(s) you complete them.

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Inspector</u>
1. Mount and dismount a horse or pony. (2) (With assistance if necessary)	_____	_____
2. Sit in the saddle and pick up the reins properly. (1)	_____	_____
3. Assume reasonably good equitation at: a. the walk	_____	_____
b. the jog/trot (2)	_____	_____
4. Move from a halt to a walk and a walk to a halt. (2)	_____	_____
5. Move from a walk to a jog and a jog to a walk. (2)	_____	_____
6. At the walk, turn right, turn left, turn right and left about. (2)	_____	_____
7. Properly reverse the direction of travel. (1)	_____	_____
8. Demonstrate how to properly pass a slower horse. (1)	_____	_____
9. Using proper aids, back up 4 steps and walk forward 4 steps. (1)	_____	_____
10. Demonstrate the proper distance to be maintained between horses at all times. (1)	_____	_____

(Total Mounted Abilities: 15)

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This 4-H member, _____, has successfully completed all of the requirements in Knowledge, Dismounted Abilities, and Mounted Abilities for Level 1 in the Osceola County Horsemaster Project with an overall score of _____ points out of a total 70 points.

4-H Leader

Date

Designated Inspector

Date

Osceola County 4-H Youth Agent

Date

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