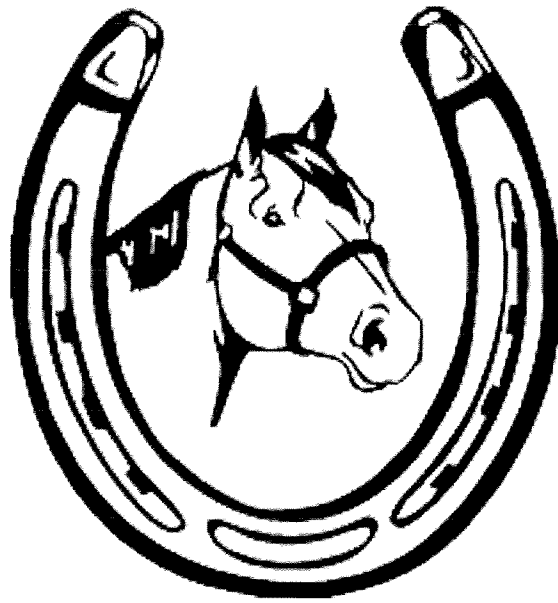


Mecosta County 4H

Horse and Pony

Project Book

8-12 Yr. olds



Name: _____ 4H age: _____

Horses Name: _____

Club: _____

Number of Years in 4H Horse and Pony Project: _____

Leaders Signature: _____

Year: 2026

1. What side of the horse do you stand on when you lead your horse? _____.

2. When riding your horse, what should you do if your horse runs away with you? _____

_____.

3. What are the two basic types of forages? _____ and _____.

4. Define the three basic gaits of a horse (walk, trot (jog), canter(lope)): _____

5. A horse's height is measured in hands. How many inches is a hand? _____.

6. If a horse drinks 1 gallon of water per 100 pounds of body weight, how much does a horse weighing 1,200 pounds need to drink? _____.

7. If a rider falls off their horse in the show arena, what should you do? _____

8. How do you pass another rider in the show arena? _____

9. What does a red ribbon in the horse's tail mean? _____

Read the definition and find the correct terms:

1. Enlarged, stretched flexor tendons behind the cannon bone. _____
2. Too much angle at the hock with the feet set too far under the body. _____

Tack and Riding (Fill in the blank).

1. The measure of the circumference of a horse's body back of the withers. A leather, canvas or corded piece around the body of the horse to hold a saddle on. _____
2. The portion of the bit from the mouthpiece down. _____
3. The front part of a western saddle fitting over the withers. _____
4. What is the proper clothing and equipment for Western Showmanship? _____

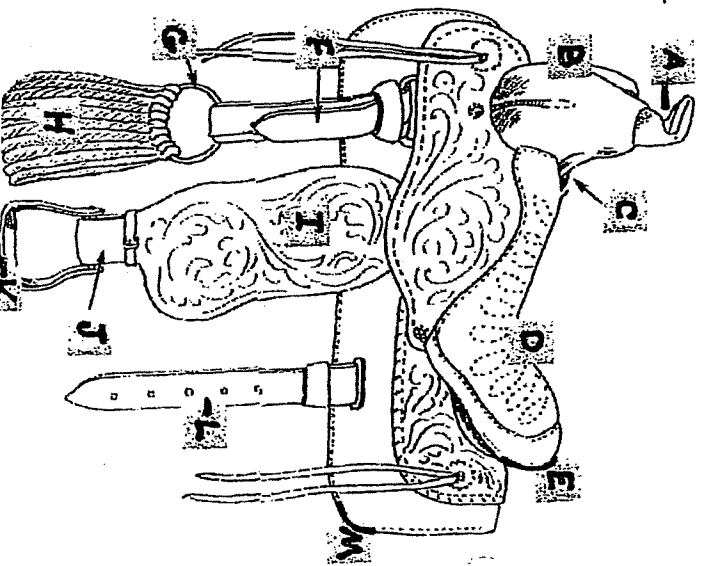
Health

A resting healthy 1,000lbs. animal's vitals are:

Temperature: _____ Pulse Rate: _____ Respirations: _____

Fill in the Blank

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____
- D. _____
- E. _____
- F. _____
- G. _____
- H. _____
- I. _____
- J. _____
- K. _____
- L. _____
- M. _____



Draw a Western Bridle and Label these parts;

(Headstall, Cheek Piece, Bit, Reins, Throat Latch, Curb Strap)

Label the parts of the horse.

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