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**Centaurus 4-H Club**  
**Level 1 Study Guide and Worksheet**

**Part I. Horse Handling**

1. Where are a horse's blind spots located?

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2. What are the proper methods of approaching a horse that is turned out in a pasture or in a stall?

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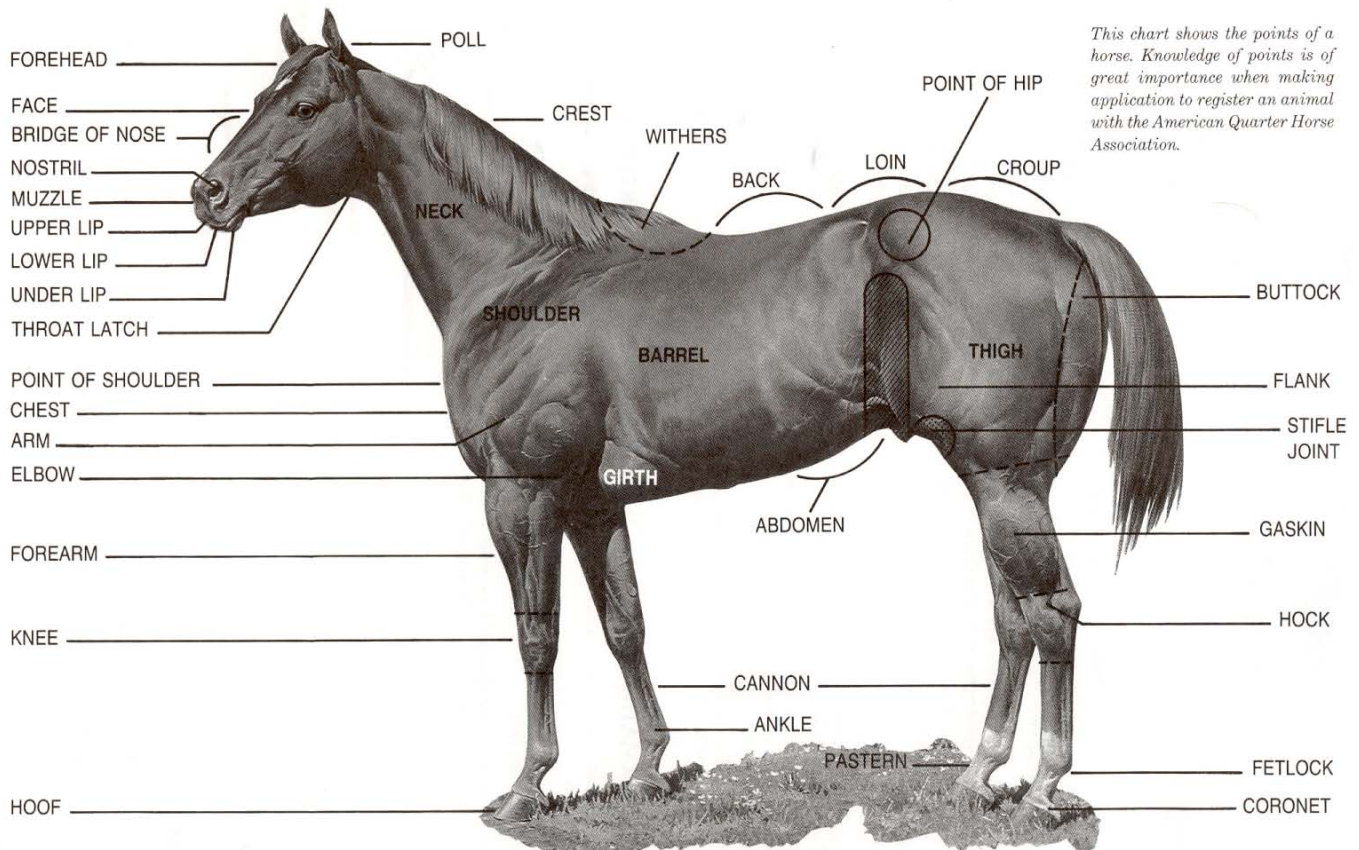
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## Part 2. Horse Breeds, Conformation and Movement

1. Be able to identify the following parts of a horse: withers, throatlatch, hock, muzzle, cheek, forelock, mane, neck, back, shoulder, tail, knee, fetlock, and hoof.

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2. Identify the color of the following horses. Choose from these words.

**COLORS**

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- A. BROWN
- B. PALOMINO
- C. STRAWBERRY ROAN
- D. LIVER CHESTNUT
- E. DAPPLED GRAY
- F. LEOPARD
- G. BAY
- H. BLACK
- I. CHESTNUT
- J. SILVER GRAY

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3. What is the difference between a filly and a colt?

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4. What is the difference between a mare and a gelding?

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5. What is a stallion?

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### Part 3. Grooming and Bandaging

1. How do you pick out a hoof? What tool do you use and why is it important?

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2. Name the following grooming tools and describe why you use them.

### The Grooming Kit



1. Dandy Brush

2. Body Brush

3. Mane/Tail Comb

4. Hoof Pick

5. Curry Comb



3. Give two reasons why grooming your horse every day is important.

Reason 1: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Reason 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Give two reasons why you would bandage a horse's leg.

Reason 1: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Reason 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



### Part 4. Health Care and Veterinary Knowledge

1. What is a veterinarian? Who is your horse vet?

What: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Who: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What are two reasons that would cause you to call a veterinarian for a sick horse?

a. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



## Part 5. Nutrition

1. Name at least two items that you would feed a horse every day.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_



## Part 6. Stable Management and Safety

1. List two things that are not safe to do or have in a barn.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Name one type of good bedding for horses.

a. \_\_\_\_\_



## Part 7. Transportation and Travel Safety

1. Name two reasons for cleaning tack:

Reason 1: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reason 2: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Part 8. Transportation and Travel Safety

1. Name one step that you can take to make a horse safer or more comfortable in a trailer.

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**Centaur's 4-H Club**  
**Level 2 Study Guide and Worksheet**



**Part 1. Horse Handling**

1. Name two things you should consider when safely leading a horse.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

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b. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Name two safe places to tie a horse.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

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b. \_\_\_\_\_

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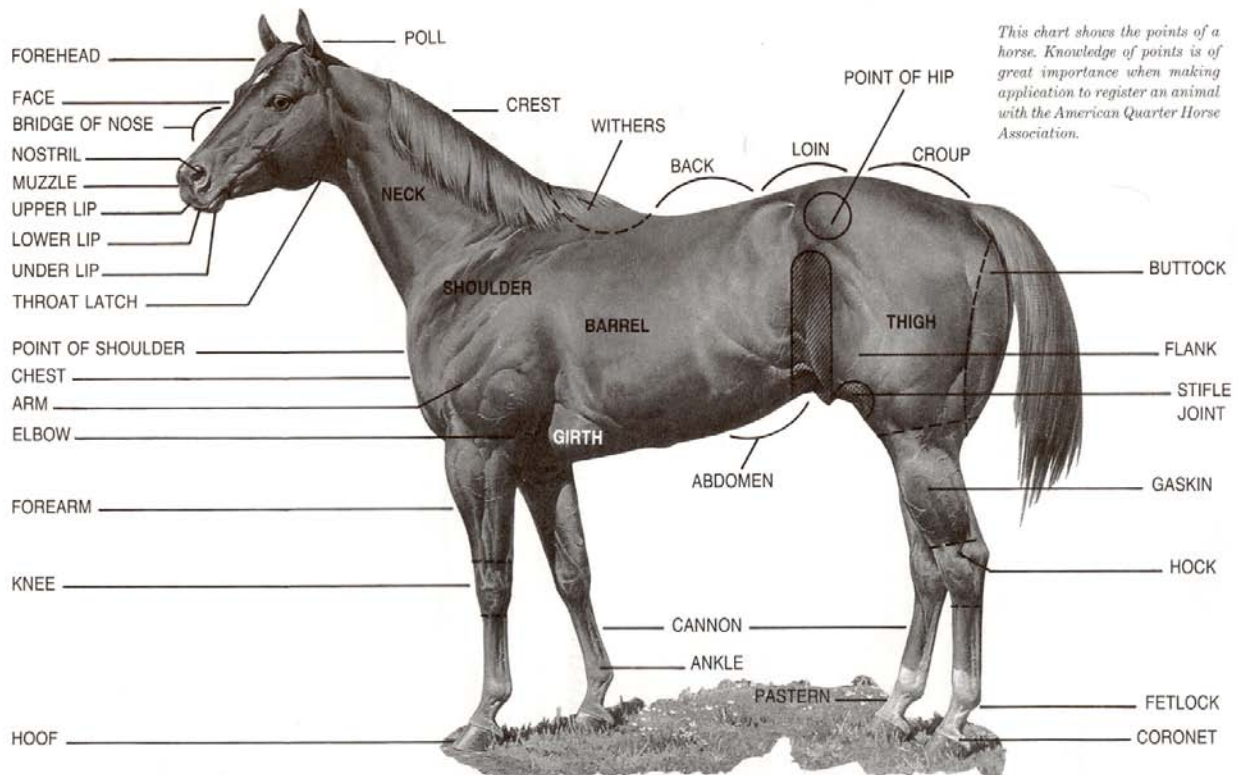
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## Part 2. Horse Breeds, Conformation and Movement

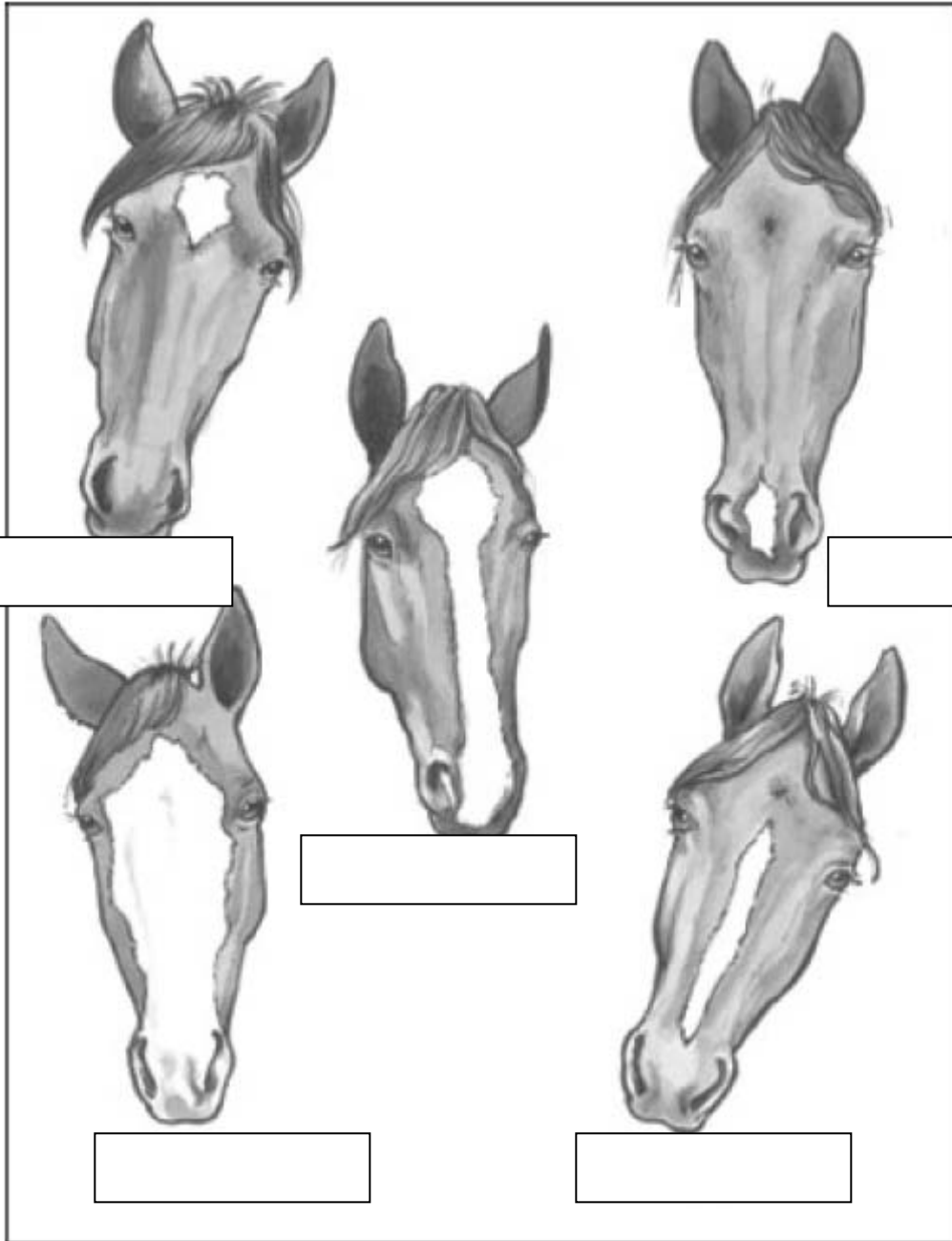
1. Be able to identify the following parts of a horse:

Poll, dock, croup, loins, gaskin, barrel, forearm, cannon, stifle, coronet, pastern, knee, fetlock, flank, jaw, elbow, point of hip, girth.

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2. Name five common face markings:



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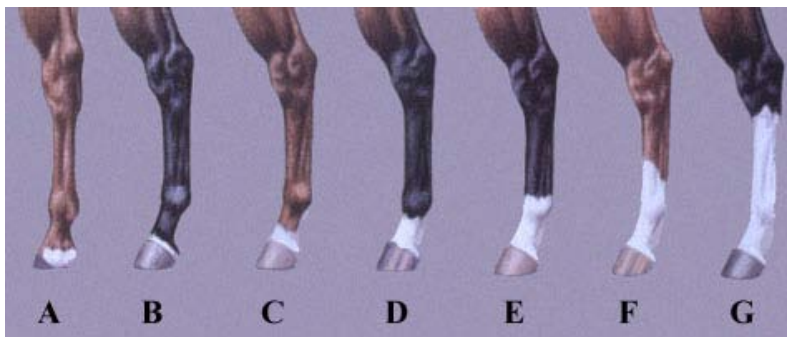
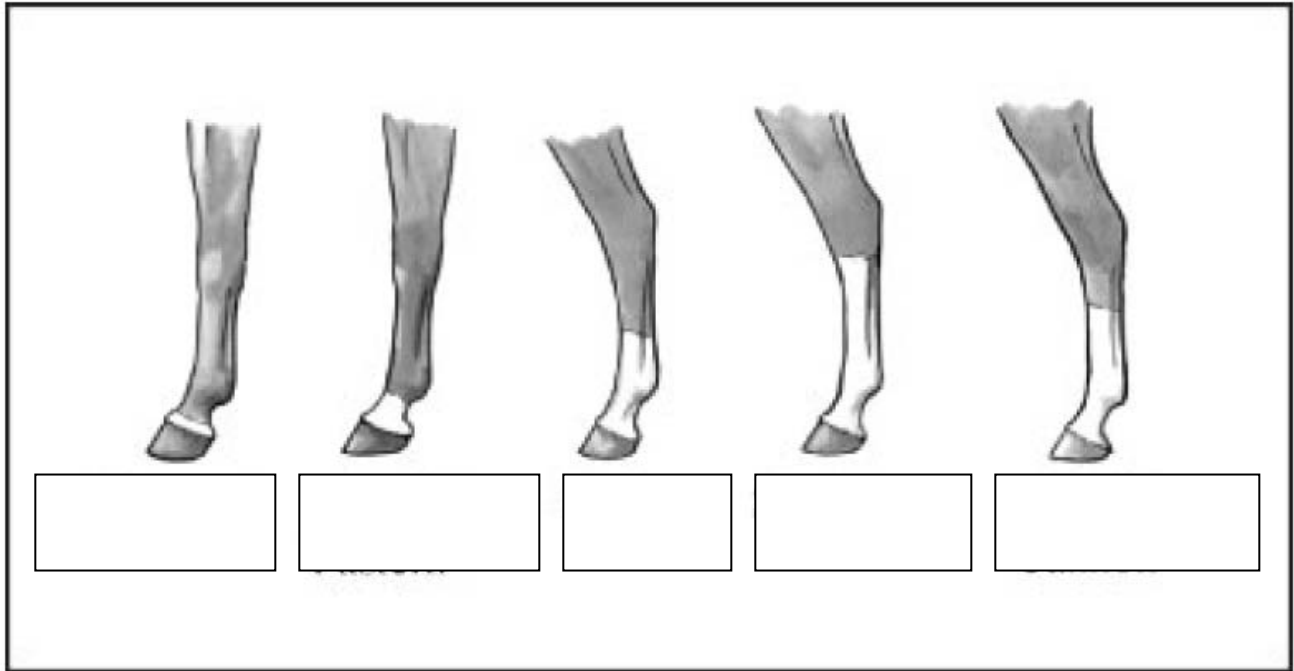
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3. Name these five common leg markings. Use the picture below as a guide. Choose from these words: stocking, coronet, half pastern, half cannon, sock.



- A: Heel
- B: Coronet
- C: Half-Pastern
- D: Pastern
- E: Ankle
- F: Half Stocking
- G: Stocking

4. Name four horse breeds.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Name two pony breeds.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_

6. What is the proper unit for measuring a horse?

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7. Describe the difference between a pony and a horse.

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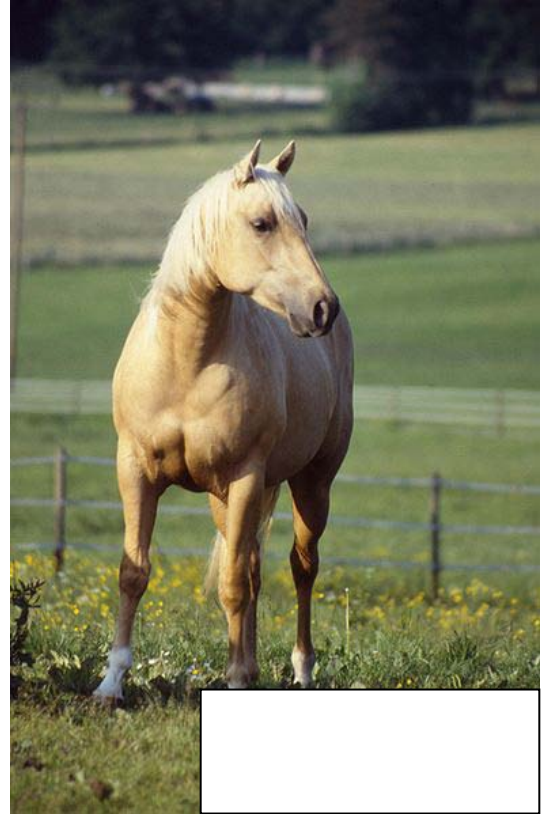
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8. Be able to recognize the following. Choose from these words: Grey, palomino, appaloosa, buckskin, and paint.



9. How many beats are in a walk?

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How many beats are in a trot?

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How many beats are in a canter?

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### Part 3. Grooming and Bandaging

1. Name the proper procedure for daily grooming of the following areas of a horse:

a. Body: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b. Mane and Tail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

c. Hoof Care: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Describe two different types of boots/bandages and reasons for their use.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

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b. \_\_\_\_\_

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Shipping boot



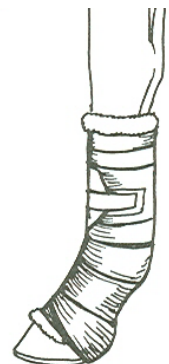
Bell Boots



Splint Boots



Knee Boots



Shipping bandage

### Part 4. Health Care and Veterinary Knowledge

1. Describe five symptoms of a sick or injured horse that would cause you to seek veterinary care for the horse.

Symptom 1: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Symptom 2: \_\_\_\_\_

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Symptom 3: \_\_\_\_\_

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Symptom 4: \_\_\_\_\_

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Symptom 5: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. How do you know if a horse is properly cooled out after work?

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3. Name two reasons why daily hoof care important?

Reason 1: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reason 2: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. List two reasons why regular farrier (blacksmiths) visits are necessary.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

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## Part 5. Nutrition

1. Name two ways to tell if hay or grain is safe to feed.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Give two ways to store hay and grain safely:

a. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

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## Part 6. Stable Management and Safety

1. Name three common stable vices.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

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b. \_\_\_\_\_

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c. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Name two types of fencing that are safe for horses.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

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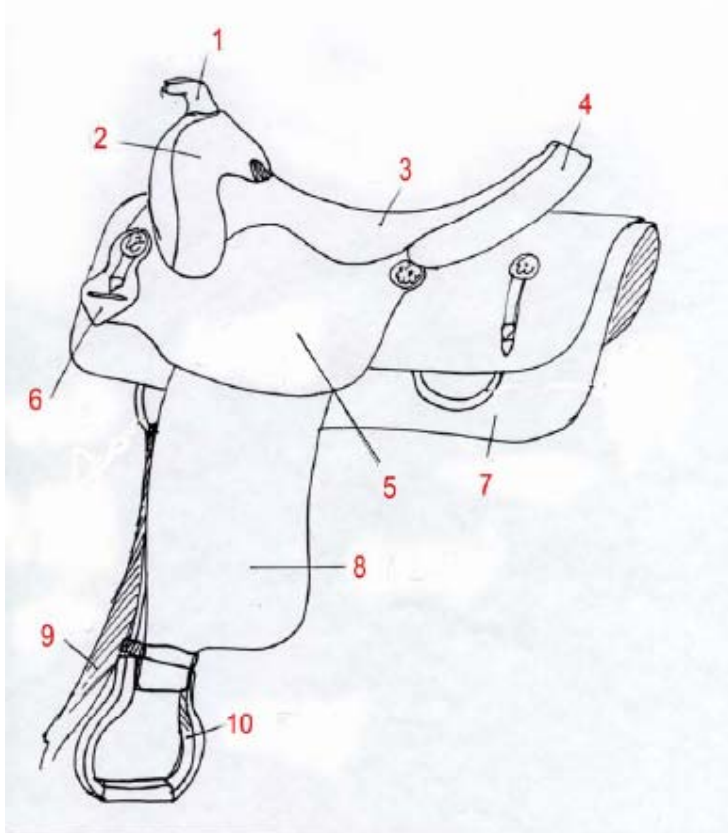
b. \_\_\_\_\_

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### Part 7. Tack and Equipment

1. Name these parts of a saddle. Use the words below.



- A. SKIRT
- B. POMMEL
- C. KEEPER
- D. LATIGO
- E. SEAT
- F. STIRRUP
- G. SEAT JOCKEY
- H. FENDER
- I. HORN
- J. CANTLE

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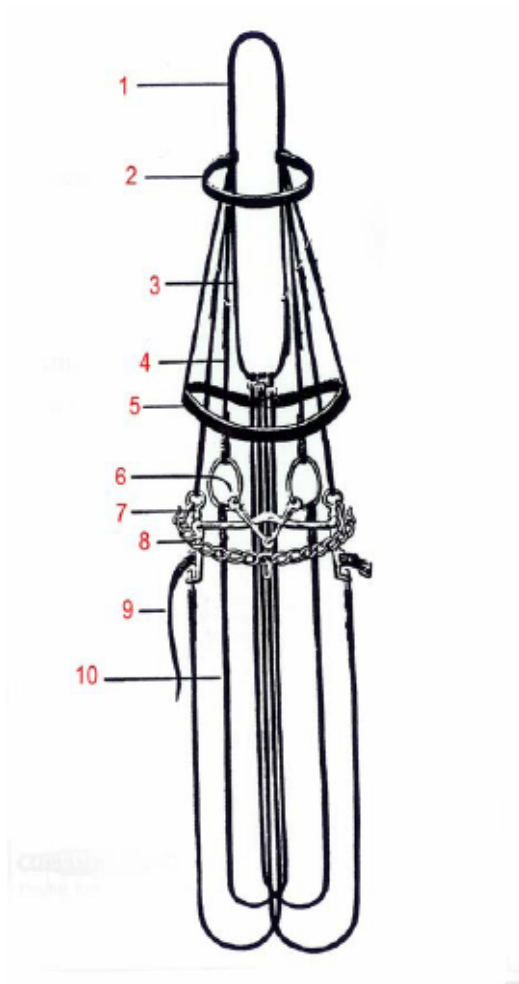
7. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Name these parts of a bridle. Use the words below.



- A. CHEEKPIECE
- B. CURB CHAIN
- C. NOSEBAND
- D. BROWBAND
- E. LIP STRAP
- F. THROAT LATCH
- G. BRIDOOON
- H. HEADPIECE
- I. REINS
- J. CURB BIT

1. \_\_\_\_\_

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9. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Name and describe three common products that you would use to clean and condition tack.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_\_



### Part 8. Transportation and Travel Safety

Describe the purpose of the following things used to make your horse safe while traveling in a trailer:

a. Break-a-way Halter: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b. Head Bumper: \_\_\_\_\_

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c. Blanket: \_\_\_\_\_

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d. Tail Guard/Wrap: \_\_\_\_\_

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e. Shipping Boots: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

f. Shipping Bandages: \_\_\_\_\_

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