PURDUE EXTENSION NOBLE COUNTY

4-H HORSE AND PONY WORKSHEETS

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Leader Signature:

Date: ____

1. Determining a horse's age

How many sets of teeth will a horse have during its lifetime, and what are those teeth called?

| How many teeth will a mature male horse have? | |
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List three ways you can determine the age of a horse that is beyond 12 years of age.

2. Match the age with the description of a horse's teeth

| Cups worn from lower intermediate incisors | 5 years old |
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| Cups worn from all incisors, upper and lower | 7 years old |
| Smooth mouth; no cups | 8 years old |
| Full mouth; cups in all incisors; canines erupt | 11 years old |
| Cups worn from upper central incisors; dental star appears on lower centrals & intermediate incisors | 12 years old |

3. Care of Teeth

What complications may arise from a horse with sharp points on the outside of the upper and inside of the lower pre-molars and molars?

Who can perform the floating procedure on horses?

What are wolf teeth?

4. True or False.

If the answer is false then tell why it is false.

T F Using a nail is the best way to hang your halters and bridles.

T F If a bridge has too much slope; it can become very slippery in wet weather.

T F Gates should be no larger than 4 ft. high and 6 ft. long.

T F Lining the sides of your feed box with sheet metal will help deter rodents from getting in your horse's grain.

T F A tack room is essential if you will be traveling to shows, fairs and trail rides.