

PURDUE EXTENSION BOONE COUNTY

4-H HORSE AND PONY WORKSHEETS

Grade 6-D



Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

Grade: _____

Date: _____

1. Equestrian Disciplines

Please draw a line from the name of the gait to its description.

Walk	A rapid two beat diagonal gait
Running Walk	Slow, natural, flat footed 4 beat gait
Trot	Easy, rhythmical 3 beat gait
Rack	Natural, faster walking gait
Canter	Fast, flashy, evenly timed 4 beat gate

2. Determine whether the following statements are True or False. If false, please explain why.

T F When judging horses the judge must consider the following things about the conformation of the horse: balance, structural, correctness, muscling, type of animal and lastly the form and proportions of the various parts of the horse's body.

T F A stallions should have a refined head and neck and should be lighter bodied.

T F A blemish is an abnormality that may detract from the appearance of the horse, but will not affect his serviceability.

T F Inherited unsoundness makes a horse undesirable for breeding, showing or performance. Acquired unsoundness may make a horse unsuitable for a particular type of activity, but the horse may be serviceable for another activity.

Answers can be found in the OSU Beginning Horse Management manual 4-H 174

3. Write the correct discipline name next to the correct description.

_____ The basic position of this ride should be to place him/her comfortably in the middle of the saddle and find his/her center of gravity by sitting with a slight bend at the knees, without use of irons.

_____ This discipline is closely related to the Hunter except the saddle is designed to place the rider slightly further back behind the withers to aid impulsion of the horse.

_____ In this discipline the rider's hands are soft and low, but always in light contact with the horse's mouth. The hands are held in front of the pommel, at a level one or two inches over the horse's neck, with the knuckles inclined inward at roughly a 30 degree angle.

_____ This discipline's original purpose is to handle stock on ranches and to travel of long distances.

_____ This discipline has the same mount and dismount as the Hunt discipline.