

4-H Horse & Pony

Jasper County
Record Sheet B
Grade 8

Name _____ 4-H Club _____

Leader Signature: _____

1. How many sets of teeth does a horse have during its life? _____
2. The horse acquires a full mouth of permanent teeth at what age? _____
3. What helps to keep a horse's teeth at an appropriate length? _____
4. At age 11, what should the horse's teeth look like? _____

5. What does the term "smooth mouth" mean? _____

6. What three things do you look for when determining the age of a horse off of its teeth?

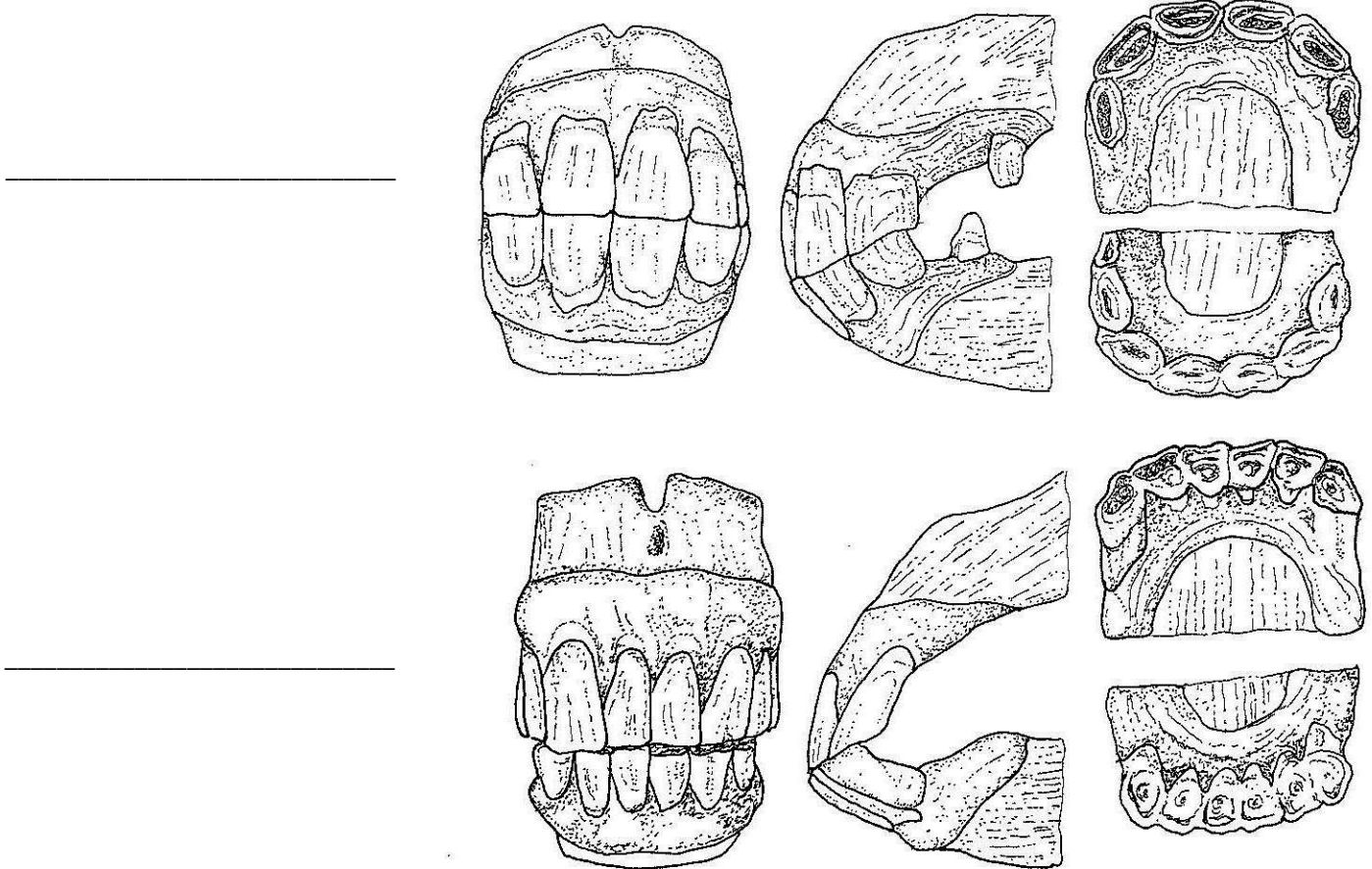
7. Why do horses chew from side to side instead of up and down like humans? _____

8. What are two signs that a horse may have sharp points or "hooks" on their teeth?

9. What are wolf teeth? Why is it important to remove these teeth? _____

10. Name three things to check out in a horse's mouth that you are thinking about purchasing?

Identify the age of the horse from the teeth shown in the diagram:



11. Horses can drink _____ to _____ gallons of water per day. Water should be _____ and _____ at all times and free of ice in the winter.
12. Hay quality is an extremely important factor to consider when feeding horses. Good hay is _____, _____, leafy and free of dust, _____, and decay. Moldy, musty, or rotten hay can cause _____ diseases and _____ upsets like colic when fed to horses.
13. What are the two most common grains used in today's horse rations? _____ and _____.
14. Because growing horses have a higher protein requirement, this increase in protein is usually met by feeding a high-quality legume hay, such as _____, or by adding _____ to the grain ration.
15. When formulating rations, it is very important to think in terms of _____ rather than _____.