



Equine Welfare

How to play the game:

Together as a team answer the questions.

Equipment:

Table and 6 chairs
Question sheet
Answer sheet for each team
Pens x4
Answer legend
Clipboard and pens for volunteers

Tips for organisers:

Tell the teams that they may talk among themselves.
Remind the teams to write their Branch/Centre name and number on the sheet.
They must put their pens down at the final whistle.
Score the answers against the legend.





Equine Welfare Junior/Senior Questions

- 1. If a horse or pony is kept on their own, which of the Five Freedoms would they not receive?
- 2. What law protects the wellbeing of animals?
- 3. List three uses horses have for their whiskers?
- 4. List the Five Freedoms of Equine Welfare.
- 5. List a minimum of three items that must accompany a horse when travelling to an event.
- 6. List three behaviours that would show your horse/pony was relaxed or content.
- 7. List three behaviours that would indicate your horse or pony is stressed.
- 8. List three problems an incorrectly fitted noseband can cause.
- 9. List three basic requirements a rider must be able to achieve before wearing spurs.
- 10. Your horse or pony has started trying to bite you when doing up their girth. Give three reasons why.





Equine Welfare Junior / Senior Answer sheet for Competitors

Branch/Centre:	Team Number:
Question number	Answer
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
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8	
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10	
Total/20	





Equine Welfare Junior / Senior Questions Answer Legend

Question number	Answer
1	Freedom from fear and distress, Freedom to express normal behaviour
2	Accept any of the below, all are correct depending on where the competitors come from. The Animal Welfare Act 2006 Animal Health & Welfare Scotland (Act) 2006 Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 2011
3	To know how far things are from their muzzle To feel what is on the ground To understand and feel safe in their environment
4	Anything that mentions - Freedom from hunger and thirst Freedom from fear and distress Freedom from discomfort Freedom to express normal behaviour Freedom from pain, injury and disease
5	Feed, water, buckets, first aid kit, head collar, rugs, passport
6	Any of - Grazing or eating hay Resting one hind leg Ears relaxed to the sides, neither pricked or held back, Grooming another horse
7	Any of - Sweating, and breathing heavily Shaking, neighing, box walking or pacing the fence Doing many small loose droppings, not eating or drinking Dull, depressed, lethargic Not interested in surroundings
8	Create a pressure point just under the facial crest/cheekbone Interfere with the horse's breathing Interfere with the action of the bit
9	Any 3 of - Have still hands and a seat that is sufficiently independent that they can maintain a quiet, stable, still leg position. Understand that spurs are a refinement of a leg aid Be able to use their seat, hand and leg aids individually Be mindful of the impact spurs may have on the horse/pony they are riding
10	Any of - Girth gall Stomach ulcers Sore back Cold backed Too tight too fast Badly fitting saddle Hindgut pain Memory of previous trauma