## Sample United States Pony Clubs (USPC) Quiz Questions Ages 14+

# D Level:

## **CLASSROOM/WRITTEN TEST QUESTIONS**

- Know range of vital signs for most horses and what TPR stands for.
- Discuss signs of thrush.
- Name some symptoms of a sick or injured mount that would cause you to seek help.
- Describe how to measure height of mount.
- Describe location of eyes and how this affects the mount's vision.
- Name at least three items that should be included in a human first aid kit.

## **STATION QUESTIONS**

- Describe care of mount after strenuous work, to include cooling out, inspection of legs, watering and feeding.
- Identify from pictures why certain horses are better suited for certain horse sports
- Correctly clean and demonstrate the steps used in cleaning a saddle
- Identify good vs bad shoeing in a horse from pictures on table
- List 5 -7 rules of basic feeding involved with horses
- Correctly set up a small Dressage arena

## **BARN QUESTIONS**

- Identify locations on horse used for taking TPR's (temperature, pulse and respiratory)
- Write thank-you notes to two landowners who support your club and tell them why you appreciate being able to use their land. If you ride on public land, write thank-you note to the manager or contact person.
- Demonstrate correctly jogging mount, moving horse forward with whip (if necessary).
- Lead a horse safely from both sides.
- Demonstrate and discuss how to clean a dirty/soiled stall. Demonstrate the proper steps and methods for removing manure and wet areas, how to bank a stall, and discuss the reasons for and benefits of regular stall cleaning for the health and safety of a mount. For testing purposes, a soiled horse trailer may be used.
- Discuss the proper procedure for loading and unloading a horse.

## MEGA ROOM QUESTIONS

- Identify from pictures six horse breeds, four pony breeds, and five draft horse breeds.
- Identify at least 20 parts of the mount, to include hock, gaskin, withers, croup, fetlock, and pastern.
- Identify from pictures some common conformation faults of neck, back, shoulder, head and pasterns.
- Identify obvious signs of a horse's hoof needing shoeing or trimming.
- Identify formal vs informal attire
- Identify a figure 8 nose band
- Identify different bridles such as a hunt bridle, racing bridle, dressage bridle

# C Level:

## **CLASSROOM/WRITTEN TEST**

• When at an Eventing Rally, what is the penalty for a competitor taking a practice fence that is not flagged?

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- It takes about how many hours for feed to pass all the way through the horse?
- What is Tetanus is caused by in a horse?
- When feeding daily dewormers, ivermectin should still be given in the spring and fall to kill which parasite?
- Which teeth are in front of the top premolars and are shallow rooted and can easily be removed?
- How is strangles transmitted?
- If you are ready for your Turn Out inspection and you are wearing a navy coat with thin pin stripes,
- Are you turned out formal or informal?
- A horse's stomach is small, so it is important to feed how often?
- When storing hay, what is a fire prevention rules you should follow?
- True or False, toe supports are not required in tall boots as part of the required equipment list?

### **STATION QUESTIONS**

- Discuss a six-to-eight-week conditioning and feeding program in preparation for a specific competition of candidate's choice. Indicate three different types of conditioning work (e.g. hill work, interval training, galloping) that you may be including and expected recovery rates.
- Recognize farrier tools and know their uses.
- Discuss the five steps for shoeing.
- List prevalent internal parasites in your area.
- Name the zoning requirements for the county in which you keep your horse. Example: A minimum of 10 acres is required to keep one horse.

#### **BARN QUESTIONS**

- Apply a shipping & stable bandage, under supervision of examiner, & give reasons for use.
- Discuss methods, identify equipment, & know the safety precautions for longeing
- Look at a feed label and identify sources of protein, carbohydrates, and fat in the label.
- Identify things in the Record Book (health, maintenance, vaccinations, riding activities), indicate what must be kept up to date and why.
- Be able to load and unload, with assistance, an experienced, cooperative mount.
- Demonstrate a safety and tack inspection for a D Pony Club member under direct supervision of Examiner. Explain to the D member the reason for the check, the process, and any safety issues found.
- Correctly tie a stock tie in front of examiner

#### **MEGA ROOM QUESTIONS**

- Correctly identify this type of fences found on a Cross Country course: Table, Arrowhead, Corner, Roll top, Oxer (Triple Bar), Triangle Fence, Log, Bank, Chair Fence and Ditch.
- Correctly identify this type of fences found on a Show jumping course: Vertical, Fan, Oxer (ascending), Roll top, Stone wall, Skinny, Coop, Vertical, Gate.
- Correctly identify the following parts of the horse's mouth to include: bars, lips, incisors, molars, wolf teeth and canines.
- Correctly identify the following conformation in a horse in the hind leg: bowed hocks, cow hocks, wide behind, narrow behind and correct hind leg.
- Correctly identify the following conformation faults in a horse in the foreleg: base narrow, base wide, bench knee, bowed knees, and knock knees.

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