### games

**Box Stalls** 

Circle the wordnaming object that does not belong in a box stall.

Then circle the word of the object that is in all 4 box stalls.

Bucket Curry Comb Halter Hoof pick Microwave Carrot Lead rope Hay

Wood Shavings Sony Xbox Player Feed pan Riding Helmet Hay Manure fork Horse shoe Mane comb

Apples
Horse shoe
Hay
Halter
Hoof pick
Body Brush
Lawn Chair
Wood Shavings

Oats
Umbrella
Manure fork
Body Brush
Bucket
Riding helmet
Hay
Lead rope

### Want to Get Some Reading Done This Winter About Horses?

Don't forget that CHA has some great items for sale at www.cha-ahse.org and your TEAM CHA membership gets you them at the CHA member price! Just some of the great items that CHA publishes include:

- CHA Composite Horsemanship Manual
- CHA Level 1 4 Manuals
- Riding Instructor and Trail Guide Manual
- Standards for Group Riding Programs
- Ready to Ride? How to Get Started on Your Horse Journey
- Horse Sense Set of Four Posters
- Enjoying Equestrian Activities Safely Poster
- Many other books and videos from other groups that promote enjoying horses safely, effectively and having fun with them!





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#### HAVE A HORSE SHOW IN YOUR OWN BACK YARD

Do you have model horses or stuffed animal horses? Why not put on your own horse show with your other horse crazy friends. You could make up some events, design your own ribbons and invite people over to "show" You could set up a show ring in the middle of the floor and people could show off their models in the ring. Maybe an adult could be a judge. The grand prizes could be home made cupcakes at the end of the day.



#### Here are some ideas for events:

- A model made out of the most unusual material (like clay, paper, etc.)
- Cleanest horse
- Smallest horse
- Horse with the best clothing
- Funniest looking horse model or stuffed animal horse.
- Best of show with clothing (Yours or your horse)
- Set up as cross country course outside that you will have to run around and over and under with your model horse.
- You can make tack and put it on your model horse and have a fashion show.
- There are lots of things you could do, make up other events and have fun!

Make sure to always wear your ASTM-SEI approved helmet, riding boots, and pants!

### HORSE CONNECTIONS REWARDS PROGRAM FOR 2008

Don't forget to turn in those points for your great prizes. Contact CHA at office@cha-ahse.org to get your form today and send it back to CHA at 4037 Iron Works Parkway Suite 180 Lexington, KY 40511 by no later than January 15, 2009.

Remember when you turn 16 you can become an individual member of CHA! You can also attend a certification clinic and become an assistant riding instructor. To find out more visit www.cha-ahse.org today!

For a CHA Certified Instructor or a CHA Program Member camp or equestrian facility near you log onto www.CHAinstructors.com, or call (800) 399-0138.

## puzzles &

## trivia

#### **The Phrase** that Pavs

Have you ever heard people use a phrase to describe a situation and you have never heard it before and have no idea what it means? Years ago the horse was used in everyday life in the cities and out in the country. Some of the following sayings came about way back then and people still use them today.

#### Don't look a gift horse in the mouth.

It means that a person can tell the age of a horse by looking in their mouth and seeing how much the teeth have worn. A free horse may be very old. A gift may not be what you wanted, but you should be kind and say "thank you" anyway.

#### That person is a horse of a different color.

This means that the person could just be very different than other people around them, in both a good or bad way.

#### Hold your horses!

This means wait a minute and slow down. .....

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#### Quit horsing around.

Horses love to play rough with their herd mates. When someone says this to you they mean be careful and watch what you are doing.

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#### He came riding in on his white horse.

This person really did not have a white horse, but they may have come just at the right time to solve a problem or help at the last minute. White horses were ridden by the "good guys" in the old western movies.

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#### Don't put the cart before the horse.

This means think things through before you act. If you are going to make a sandwich the first thing you will need is bread.

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#### It is just another dog and pony show.

The traveling carnival shows from a long time ago used to have these side shows which sometimes were not what the announcer said they were, so you did not get your monies worth. There may are may not have been an actual dog or pony in the show. This means that the person who may have said, he will get the job done, might not follow through. You might say he just is putting on a dog and pony show.

#### You can lead a horse to water, but you just can't make him drink.

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You can tell someone that the carrots on their plate are really good, but you can't make them try them. Or you can tell a person that the roller coaster isn't scary, but you can't make them ride with you.

Q. What did one horse say to the other in the pasture?

A. I don't know about you,

Q. Why did the boy take hay to bed with him? A. Because he wanted

Q. What did the waiter say to the sad looking horse in the restaurant?

A. Hey buddy why the long face?

Q. What did the "D.A.R.E." officer say to the young horses at school? A. Just say Neigh to Drugs.

Q. What did the one farmer say to the other farmer while he was looking at his horse out in the pasture?

A. "I say Bob, that is the best horse I want, I would say that he is



Percherons are a draft or heavy horse breed. Historians believe this breed has been around for a very long time. There is evidence of a type of horse just like the Percheron having been around in the La Perche area of France since the ice age. The Arab breed was introduced in the eight century AD

to produce a fine head and elegance that has made the Percheron a breed with a graceful and flowing stride. They have been used for farm and draft work, artillery work, as a war horse and riding horse. They are usually either black or gray, and stand between 15.2 and 17hh.

#### FREE HORSE STUFF

Do you like to get stuff for free – especially about horses? Then contact by email different breed associations (such as www.aqha.com) and ask for information about that breed. Some may send you pencils and pens, posters showing colors and conformation, booklets and other printed material about their association. Make sure you say "Please and Thank you" for what ever they might send you. A little thank you note goes a long way.

#### Color Me Beautiful

Draw a line from the horse color description to the correct term on the right.

- Body reddish brown and legs; ears, mane and tail black
- Body color yellowish brown mane and tail maybe black or brown has a dorsal stripe
- Reddish or bluish coat with white hairs running scattered throughout
- Body color and mane and tail black • Body color golden yellow,
- mane and tail white
- Body color dark red or brownish red, mane and tail usually dark red or brownish red.
- Body color yellowish or gold, mane and tail black
- Mixture of white and other colored hairs may get lighter with age.
- Body color brown or black with light areas around the muzzle, mane and tail black.
- Body color may have big patches of white, black or brown.

are prey animals which means they are food for the carnivores.

Animals that eat both meat and plants are omnivores. Which are we? Good quality hay is important. When you pick up a "flake" of hay (when hay is cut, it is packed into a bale and each bale will come apart in "flakes") it should smell "sweet" and not have grey powder coming out of it. This is mold and should not be fed.

Sometimes a moldy bale of hay will be heavier to pick up than others. Some hay may have a lot of very big stems and pieces of plants which may be hard for some horses to chew and this would not be a good choice either. It is always good to check any type feed that you give to animals for such things as mold and big pieces of food.



### YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT.

**BLACK** 

**PINTO** 

**BAY** 

DUN

GRAY

**ROAN** 

**BROWN** 

**PALAMINO** 

**BUCKSKIN** 

**CHESTNUT** 

Horses are herbivores which means they eat what? That's right .....plants! Their teeth are made for biting off the plants (incisors in the front) and chewing in the back (molars). Horses have wolf teeth, which does not mean they can eat meat like a wolf who is a carnivore. Wolf teeth are usually taken out when the horse needs to start working so the bridle will fit properly. Horses do not have large canine teeth or claws or talons to rip apart meat. Herbivores have large stomachs and sometimes can have more than one stomach to digest all the food. Their digestive system can not process meat very well. Most herbivores

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