



Equine Virtual Activities Guide

Relevant Projects

- **Horse Project**
- **Veterinary Project**



Digital Resources

All Pony - Games & Quizzes

<https://www.allpony.com/play/>

Horse Breeds with photos and descriptions

<https://www.helpfulhorsehints.com/horse-breeds/>

Royal Agricultural Winter Fair - Royal Auditorium - Video Content Library

<https://royalfair.vfairs.com/en/on-demand-page>

Equine Helper - YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/c/EquineHelper/featured>

Equine Guelph: The Horse Portal

<http://www.equimania.ca/dangerdetective/>

Parts of the Horse Quiz

<https://horserookie.com/resources/horse-quizzes-calculators/parts-of-horse-quiz/>

Achievement Day Idea

Skills Challenge - Have members create a video, slideshow, poster or news article featuring a skill about working with horses. Members can work individually, in pairs or in small groups on these projects. Have members present to one another to share their skills.

Here are some ideas:

- Halter Work
- Riding Styles
- Types of Movements
- Brushing & Hygiene

Speaker Ideas

- Ferrier
- Professional Rider
- Barrel Racer
- Jockey
- Horse Judge
- Veterinary
- Riding Arena Owner

Activity #1 Danger Scavenger Hunt

Have members do a safety assessment of their barn (if they do not have access to a barn, use a YouTube virtual tour of a horse barn). Have members take the time to record their findings in a chart that details the following:

- What is the safety concern?
- Where did you find it?
- What should be done to correct it?

Activity #2 Judging from Head to Toe

Engage members in a series of judging classes about the parts of a horse. Use photos and videos to create classes. Provide criteria for each area of the horse while educating members of ailments and styles to inform their decision making. Here are some category ideas for classes:

- Hoofs
- Legs
- Topline
- Hip/Croup
- Heartgirth/ Flank

Activity #3 Horse Senses Discussion

Using the breakout room feature, divide the group into five groups. Each group is assigned a sense: hearing, smell, taste, sight and touch. Ask members to think about a horse's senses in the context of the nature of a horse. The more we understand the nature of horses (the way they think, how they act and react to different situations, what pleases them, what scares them) the easier it will be to ride and train them. In their small groups have members discuss ways that sense impacts a horse's nature, and what we can do as handlers to appeal to that sense. Have the groups share their findings with the larger group.

Activity #4 The Sound of a Horse Trivia

Using a tool like Kahoot, Jeopardy Labs or Quizlet create a quiz about the qualities of the soundness of a horse. "Sound" describes a horse that has no problems or injuries that affect its movement or usefulness. Soundness is extremely important because the efficiency in a horse's performance is dependent upon its ability to move. You will find a listing of common unsoundness on page 169 in the Horse Project Reference Manual to create your trivia questions.