

Owyhee County 4-H Cloverbud Horse Activities Project



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Name _____

Age _____ Birthday ____/____/____ Years in 4-H _____

Name of Club _____



Member Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

Leader's Signature: _____

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Welcome to the World of Horses!

This book was designed to introduce Cloverbud members (ages 5-7) to the Owyhee County 4-H Horse Program. It is a "horse-less" project with many fun activities for Cloverbuds during the 4-H year.

How much time will it take to be a Cloverbud?

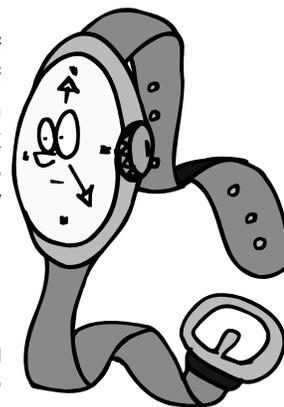
The time involved to be a Cloverbud will depend on the age and interest of each individual child. You will have the opportunity to adjust the level of participation to the child's needs and abilities. **Cloverbud members will learn the 4-H Pledge, Horse Safety Rules, and will be encouraged to attend six club meetings during the year.** If they would like to, they can color this Cloverbud Activity book, add pictures of their own, and turn it in at the County Fair to receive a participation ribbon.



If the Cloverbud member is interested in learning more about Horse 4-H, they will be encouraged to participate in the County Horse Judging, the County Horse Demonstrations, or the Horse Phase Evaluation Program, all without competition from other members. They may also participate in the Ranch Horse Dummy Roping at the County Fair. Participating in any or all of these activities will afford Cloverbuds an opportunity to learn about these activities by experience before they began to compete in the Horse 4-H Program.

Cloverbud Horse members are welcome at the Owyhee County Fair, and will be introduced during the Grand Entry in the Main Arena. Cloverbuds are also recognized at the 4-H Horse Program Award Program during the Fair, where they will receive a Cloverbud rosette for completing the year.

**Parents
are welcome
and encouraged
to learn with
their Cloverbuds!**



Let's Learn the 4-H Pledge!



I Pledge

(Right
Hand
over
Heart)



My Head to Clearer Thinking,

(Right
Hand
Points
to
Forehead)



My Heart to Greater Loyalty,

(Arms
at Sides)



My Hands to Larger Service

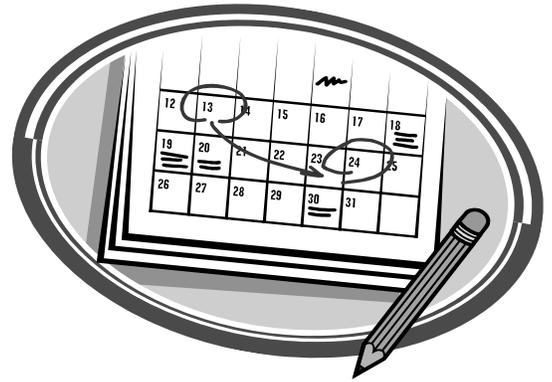
(Arms
Slightly
Bent
Palms Up)



and My Health to Better Living,

For My Club, My Community, My Country, and My World.

Important Dates to Remember!



February 1 **Deadline for out-of-county Boundary Exception Petitions to the County Extension Office.**

March 1 **Deadline for enrollment forms and dues to be submitted to the County Extension Office.**

April **Horse Leaders will register members to participate in the County Judging**

June **Owyhee County Horse Demonstrations**

July **Owyhee County Horse Phase Evaluations
Record Book Oral Interviews**

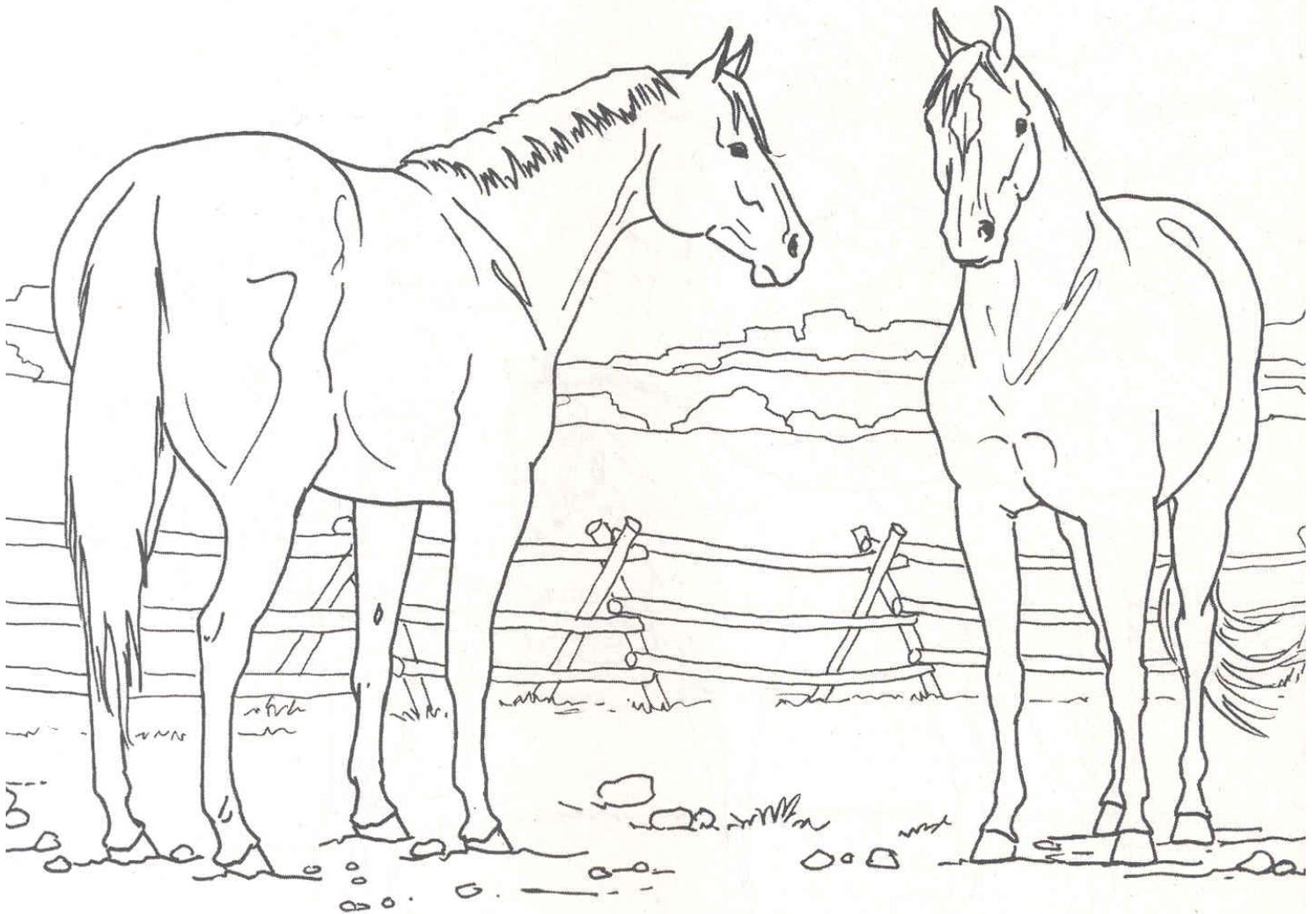


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Horse Identification

Color the horses below so that they look like a horse you **HAVE**, or you would **LIKE TO HAVE**. Does your horse have white markings on its legs or on its face? Does he have any scars, wire cuts or brands? If he does, mark them on your picture below.

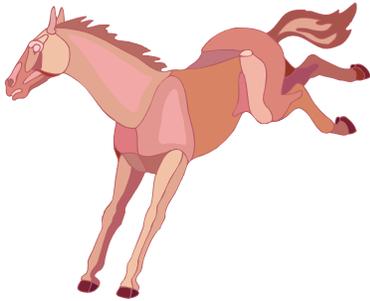


My Horse's Name is: _____

Horse Safety Rules

Since horses are much bigger than we are, we need to learn how to stay safe when we are around them. **Here are a few ideas about horse safety:**

1. Always ask an adult before you approach a horse.



2. Horses can kick. Don't walk behind them.
3. Always walk towards a horse—don't run.

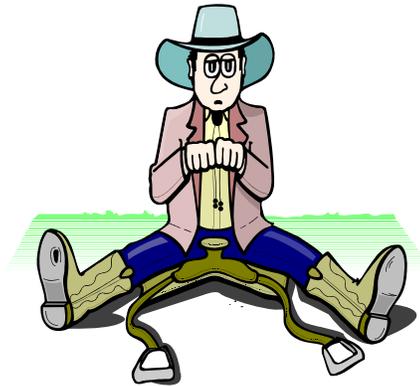


4. Always wear boots around horses to protect your feet.



5. Check the cinch on your saddle before you mount.

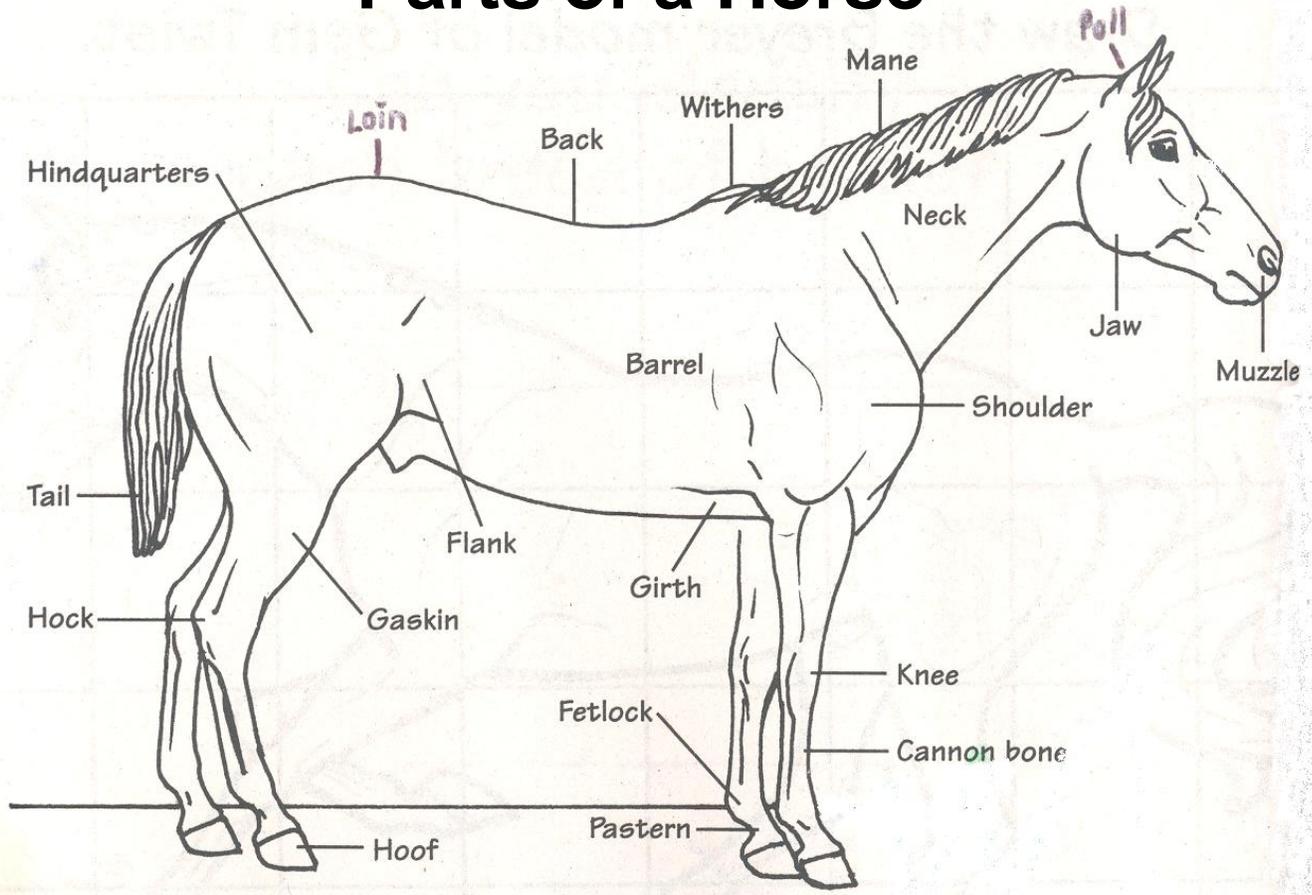
6. Never ride with a halter—always use a bridle.



Can you name some other horse safety rules?

7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

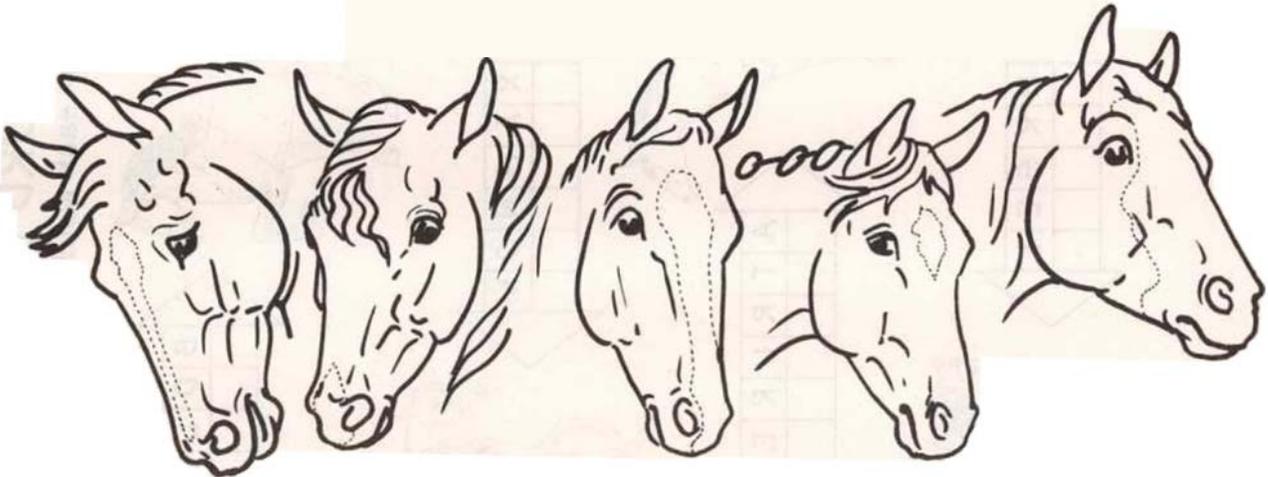
Parts of a Horse



The first step in horse judging is learning to identify the parts of a horse.

Face Markings

Do you know a horse's face markings? Draw a line from each horse to the correct marking name.



Star

Blaze

Stripe

Bald Face

Snip



Owyhee County Horse Judging



Horse Judging will teach you to compare one horse to another, and to decide which one you like better. When you go to the county judging you will be given a judging sheet similar to this page so that you can judge and place each class. Each horse (or rider) will have a number 1, 2, 3, or 4 so that you will remember them when you place each class. **You may want to write notes** for each class to the side of this page and you can use your reasons for how you placed each class when you talk to the "reasons" judge. Your group leader will stay with you and will help you read your judging sheet.

(circle one)

(Write reasons here)

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Class 1

My Favorite horse was 1 2 3 4

My least favorite horse was 1 2 3 4

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Class 2

The cleanest horse was 1 2 3 4

The dirtiest horse was 1 2 3 4

=====

Class 3

The prettiest horse was 1 2 3 4

The ugliest horse was 1 2 3 4

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Class 4

Horse that did the best job 1 2 3 4

Horse that had trouble 1 2 3 4

=====

Class 5

The fastest horse was 1 2 3 4

The slowest horse was 1 2 3 4

=====

Class 6

Rider who did the best job 1 2 3 4



Let's Do Demonstrations



A demonstration is when you **SHOW** someone how to do something. An illustrated talk is when you **TELL** someone how to do something, or tell them information about something. All 4-H members will give a demonstration on the club level every year, and will be encouraged to give a demonstration (or illustrated talk) at the county level.

I named my Demonstration _____

I gave it at (*location*) _____

There were _____ people watching me give my demonstration

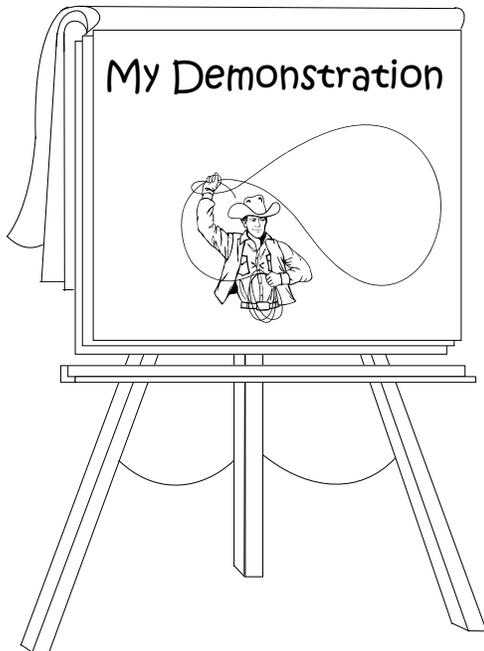
I stood up straight YES NO

I looked at the Judge YES NO

I smiled at the Judge YES NO

I talked about _____

I answered this question _____



Off to Phase Evaluations

At the Horsemanship Phase Evaluation day, members will tell or show the Evaluator some of what they have learned in Horse 4-H. You may take this book and show it to the Evaluator. Your Leader or Parent will check off skills you have accomplished.

Cloverbuds ARE NOT expected to complete all items in one year. This is only a list of SUGGESTIONS of things they can learn.

Date _____ Location _____
(of Phase Evaluation Day)

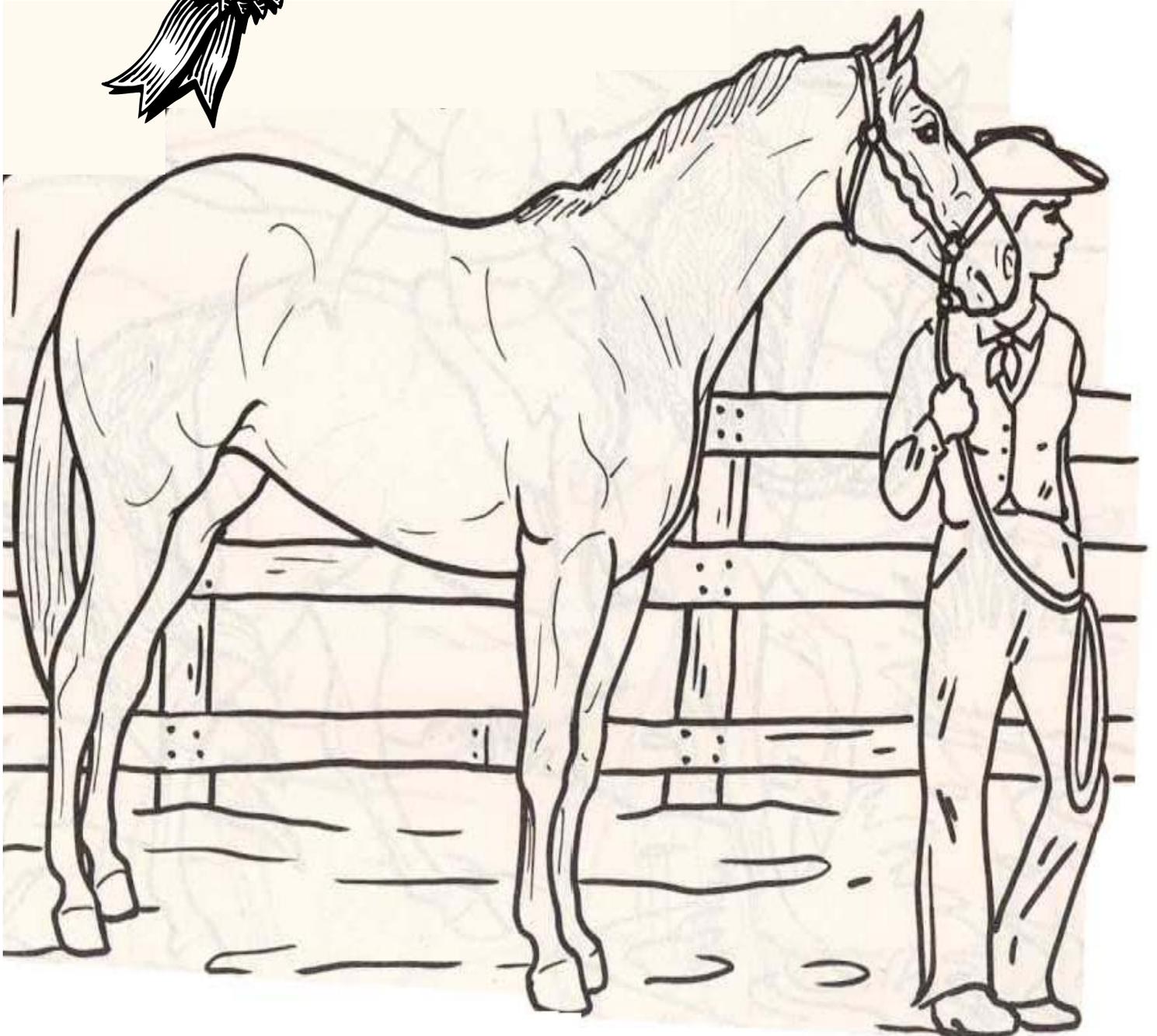
I can do these things:	Leader — check here
Tell you my name and age.	
Tell you the name of my 4-H club.	
Tell you my Leader's name.	
Name my County.	
Name my State.	
Say the 4-H Pledge	
Say the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.	
Name some parts of a horse.	
Name some parts of a bridle.	
Name some parts of a saddle.	
Tell you a horse safety rule.	
Tell you about my demonstration.	
Explain: Walk, Trot, Lope, Stop, Back.	
Demonstrate Showmanship without a horse.	
Draw a reining pattern in the dirt.	
Rope a dummy.	
Explain what "side pass" means.	
Tell you colors of horses.	
Tell you breeds of horses.	
Tell you how many inches equal one hand.	
Give you the date of the Owyhee County Fair.	
Other things I want to show/tell you.	

Showing off in Showmanship

Showmanship is a class where a member leads their horse into the show ring and sets the horse up so that all four feet are even. The judge might ask you to lead your horse, stop, back up, or turn your horse around. **“Showmanship” is SHOWING OFF your horse!**



When the class is over, you and your horse may get a nice ribbon to hang on the stall!



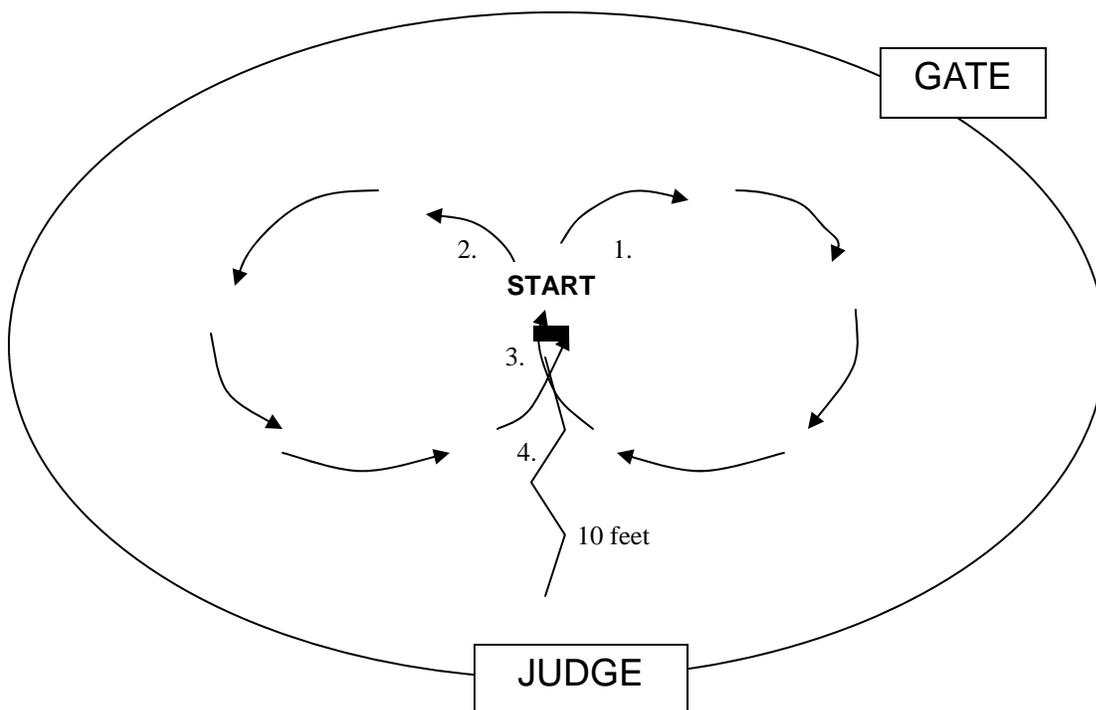
Basics of Reining

Reining is a class where the horse and rider ride a pattern and show the judge that they know how to change “leads.” A lead is determined by which leg “leads” when the horse is at a lope. The inside leg should “lead” in a circle.

Can you trace the pattern below with your finger and pretend you are riding your horse?

Starting at the center of the arena, facing the gate:

1. Lope a circle to the right in the right lead
2. At the center, change to the left lead and lope a circle to the left.
3. When you come to the center, stop.
4. Back your horse 10 feet



Boxing and Cow Work

When we talk about “Boxing”, we mean boxing, or holding a cow at the end of the arena. Sometimes the cow wants to leave, but the rider brings it back. Boxing is a beginner’s cow work class.

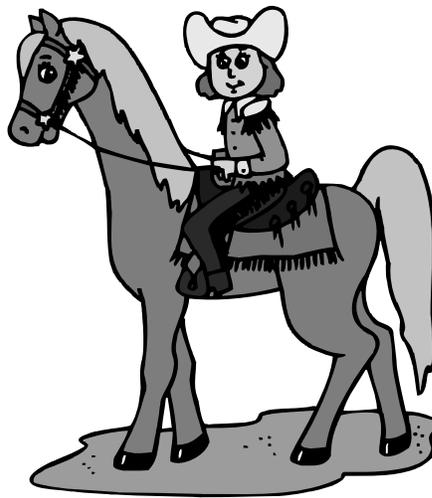


In Cow Work, the pattern starts with boxing the cow at the end of the arena, then taking the cow down the fence and turning it back. Before the pattern is finished, the member will circle the cow once in each direction.

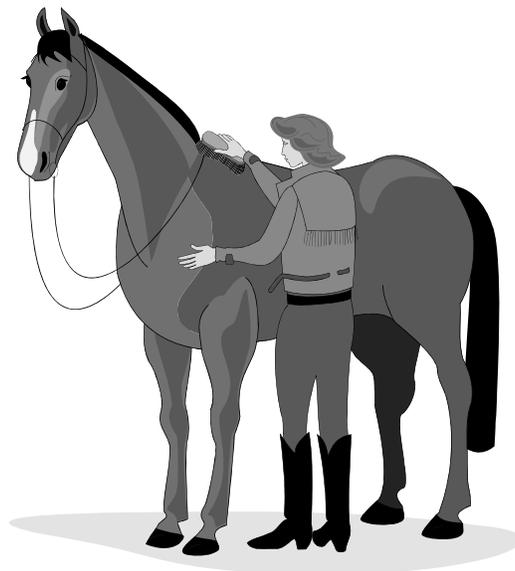
Getting an Edge on Equitation

“Equitation” is riding an “Equine”—which is a fancy word for a horse. In our Owyhee County Fair, we have “Western Equitation” and “Bareback Equitation”. In both classes, 4-H members ride their horse into the show ring and show the judge that they know how to get their horse to walk, trot, lope, stop, and back up. There will be other members riding in the show ring at the same time. The judge likes to see members sit up straight, smile, and try not to bounce!

Western Equitation uses a saddle.



Bareback Equitation does not!



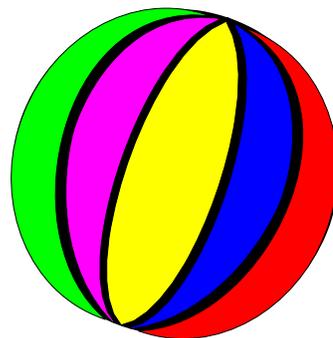
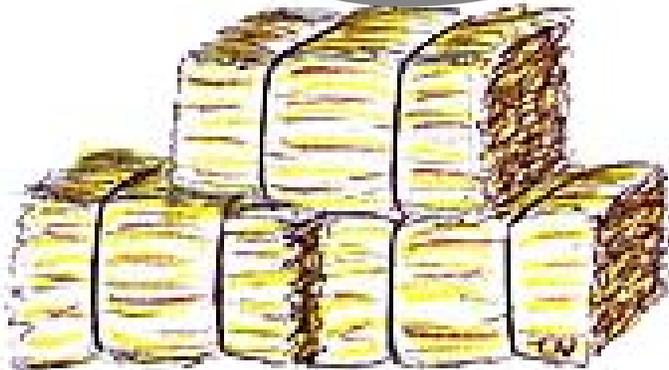
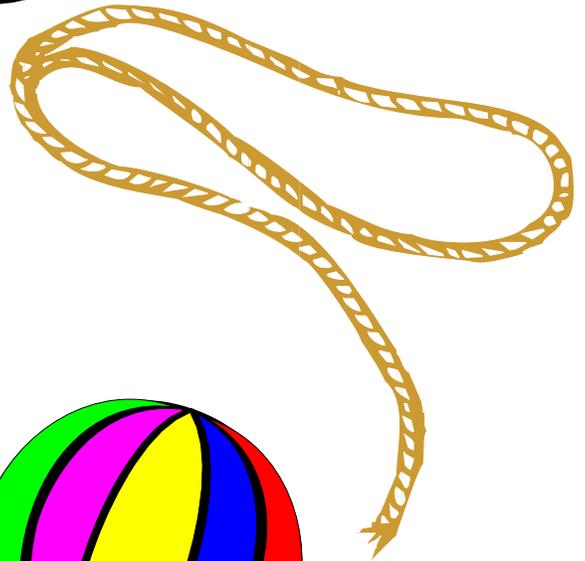
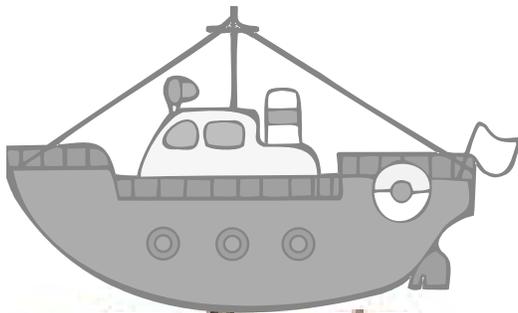
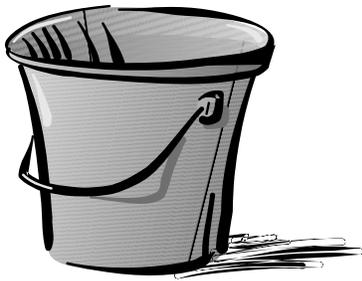
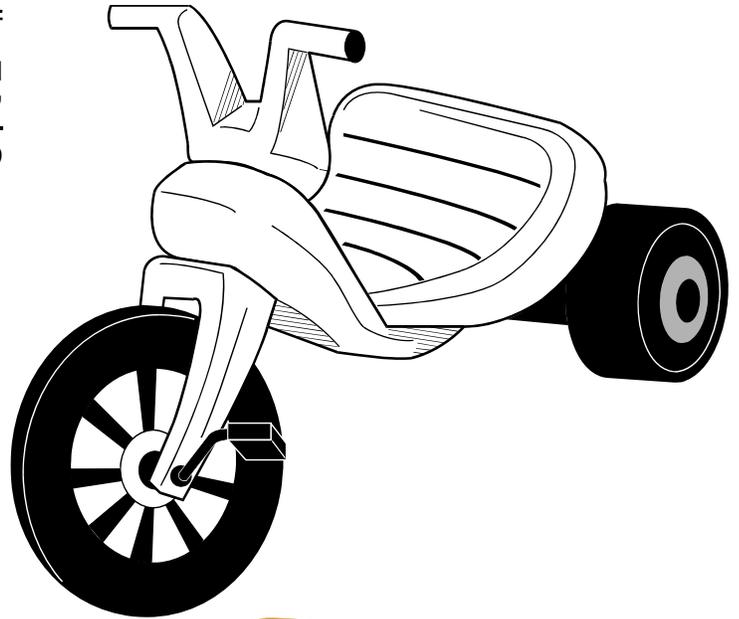
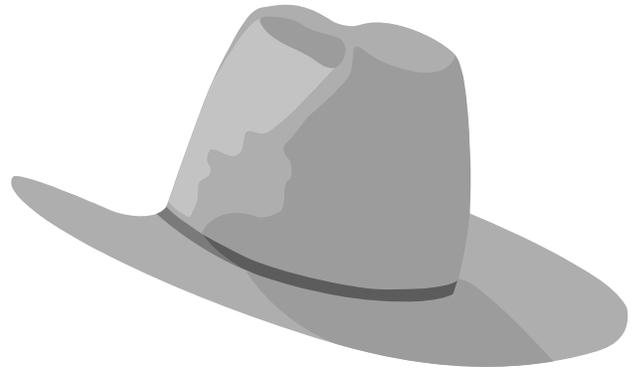
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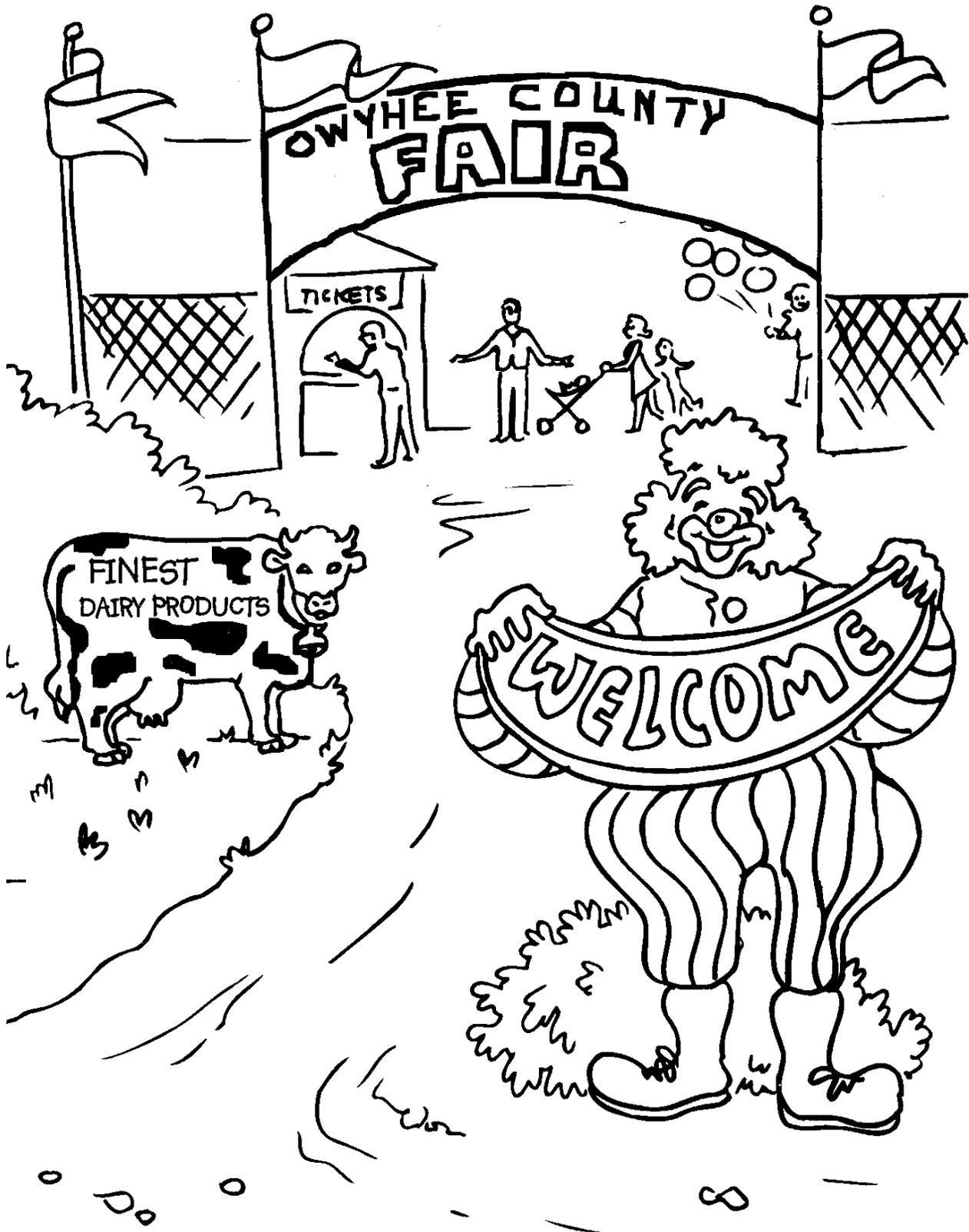
Ranch Horse is a fun project that we have at the Owyhee County Fair. There are several levels in Ranch Horse, from dummy roping to calf roping to team branding, sorting and penning cattle. **Cloverbud members can dummy rope at the Fair, so coil your rope and get ready for Ranch Horse Dummy Roping!**



Let's head to the Owyhee County Fair!!!

When we show our horse at the Fair, we need to have some of these things. **Color** the things you will need at the Fair. **Put an "X"** on items that you won't need to take to the Fair.





**Here are pictures of
what I did this year in
Owyhee County 4-H!**



What's up, Doc?

Veterinarians are doctors who take care of horses, just like your family doctor takes care of you.



What is your Veterinarian's name?

What is your Veterinarian's phone number? _____

Important Phone Numbers!



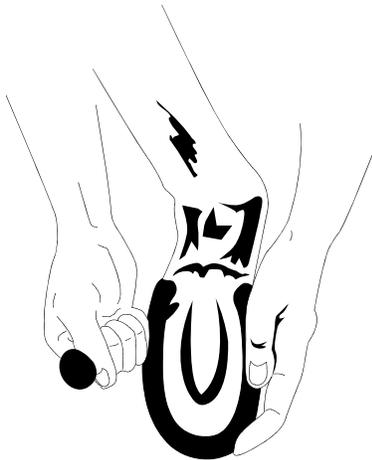
My Leader is:

My Leader's Phone Number is: _____

My County Extension Educator
is: _____



Extension Office Number: _____



My Farrier's Name is: _____

Farrier's Phone

Number: _____

