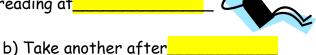
Your Horse's Vital Signs (USPC D Manual 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., p.224) Name: Date Vital Signs are measurements of health, both in horses and people. There are 3 that are very important: T.P.R. 1. Temperature What is this? The degree of \_\_\_\_\_ inside the horse's body 2. Pulse What is this? How fast the \_\_\_\_\_ is beating. What is this? How fast the horse is WHY should you know your horse's vital signs? Shows if your horse is \_\_\_\_\_ If not normal, your horse may be \_\_\_\_\_ What to do for your horse: 1) Know what is \_\_\_\_\_ for your horse

2) Take \_\_\_\_\_readings when you know your horse is healthy.

a) Take one reading at





3) Write it down in your \_\_\_\_\_ and on the horse's \_\_\_\_



4) Take his TPR (vital Signs) if you think he is \_\_\_\_\_ Be prepared to tell the Vet.



D2: Know what TPR stands for.

D3: Describe the normal range of vital signs (TPR) of a mount at rest.

## Temperature \$\frac{1}{2}\$



What is a normal equine temperature?	
When is it lowest?	
When is it higher?	
In what area of the horse is the temp taken?	1
What equipment is used?	<u>~~</u> €
Why do you need a special thermometer?	
<u>Pulse</u>	
What is a normal equine pulse rate?	
In what area of the horse can the pulse be found easily?	
What is the formula for figuring the pulse rate?	=    Ç2
Respiration Rate	
What is a normal equine respiration rate?	
In what area of the horse can you count the respiration rate?	
What is the formula for figuring the respiration rate?	6 1 2 m

