

(Teacher)

Horse Breeds

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Explain: Hot, Warm, and Cold Blooded - temperament, athletic ability, speed & strength. Hot - fast, athletic, excitable. (TB & Arabian) Cold - gentle, strong, slower. Warm - mix of the hot and cold

Name

Description

Arabian



Look: Small, curved face, short back, high tail carriage. Hot Blooded
Origin: Arabia
History: Oldest pure breed
Use: Endurance riding, all English sports

Thoroughbred



Look: Tall, lean, fast, long & low strides, long legs and neck.
Origin: England
History: Racing
Use: Racing, all English

Quarter Horse



Look: Strong, smart, muscular hindquarters, sturdy, calm
Origin: US
History: Short distance racing, cow ponies
Use: all western & English

Morgan



Look: Small, compact, smart, powerful.

Origin: US

History: All come from 1 small stallion, Justin Morgan.

Use: Driving, all English

Appaloosa



Look: spotted, TB & QH

Origin:

Northern US

History: Native American

Use: all western & English

Warm-blood

(not really a 'breed' but a group of breeds)



Look: tall, strong, athletic

Origin: Europe

History: X of cold-blooded drafts & hot blooded TB or Arabs

Use: English jumping and dressage, pleasure

1. Which breed was originally used as a Native American pony? Appaloosa
2. Which breed is the oldest? Arabian
3. Which breed is used most for Horse racing? Thoroughbred
4. Which breed descends from just one stallion named Justin Morgan? Morgan
5. Which breed is known for its long, lean legs and necks? Thoroughbred
6. Which breed is most used by cowboys? Quarter Horse
7. Which breed is popular for driving? Morgan
8. Which breed is a cross of Hot and Cold blooded breeds? Warmbloods
9. From where did Warmbloods originate? Europe
10. Name 3 breeds which originated in the United States. Morgan, Appaloosa, Quarter Horse

Pony Breeds

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Name

Description

Connemara
Pony



Look: medium to large pony, tough, strong & hardy, pretty heads, good sense.

Origin: Ireland

History:

Use: driving, all English sports

Shetland
Pony



Look: very small (under 12.2 hands), sturdy, strong, smart.

Origin: Shetland Islands off coast of Scotland

History:

Use: Children's pony for riding and driving

Welsh
Pony



Look: medium pony, pretty heads, compact body, "floating" trot.

Origin: Wales

History: mountain pony, has some Arabian blood.

Use: English jumping, pleasure, and driving

Pony of
the
Americas



Look: size of a Welsh pony with coloring of appaloosa. Medium to large pony.

Origin: US

History:

Use: Child's pony for all English & Western.

1. Which pony breed originated in the United States? Pony of the Americas
2. What is a Pony of the Americas pony commonly called? POA
3. Which of the 4 pony breeds contains Arabian blood? Welsh
4. Which is the smallest of the 4 ponies listed? Shetland Pony

Name all the pony breeds you have ridden: _____

Draft Breeds

Name

Description

Belgian



Look: Large, muscular, light colored with light mane

Origin: Begian

History: Work

Use: Work, pulling

Amish carriage

Friesian
Tall
Long neck
Fancy



Look: Heavy, large, black, with feathering on legs. Over 15 hands.

Calm/docile.

Origin:

Netherlands

History: driving

Use: driving, pleasure riding

Percheron
France
War horse
Work



Look: 15 to 17+ hands, grey & black, good natured, Cold blooded

Origin: France

History: War and work horses

Use: riding, carriage, work

Clydesdale

pulling



Look: Massive over 16 to 18 hands, good natured, white feathered legs. Cold blooded
Origin: Scotland
History: War and draft horses
Use: work, pulling, pleasure riding

What must I know for my USPC rating certification?

D1 - Know the breed of the mount you ride.

D2 - Name 5 breeds

D3 - Name 10 breeds (horse or pony or draft)



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