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# Horses for kids!



## I never knew that!

There are about 750 million horses in the world!

Many horses live until they are about 30 years old!

The oldest living horse on record was a barge horse in England also known as "Old Billy" He lived until 62. WOW!!

Foals can stand soon

after birth and can follow the herd within a couple of hours!

Most foals are born at night when the herd is least likely to be on the move!

The smallest breeds are the Falabellas from Argentina. The tallest breed is the shire from England.

## Did you know?

Horses do not have muscles in their lower legs.

The four basic paces of a horse are to walk, to trot, to canter, and to Gallop.

Horses and ponies have very good sense of smell.

Horses usually sleep

standing up they will lay down if they feel safe enough! A snip is a face marking!

The measurements used for horses is 'hands high' or 'hh' (1 hand= 4 inches or 10cm)

A bridle without a bit is called a hackamore!



## Test your knowledge

1. Do horses sleep lying down? without a bit?
2. Can ponies smell well?
3. Do horses have muscles in their lower legs?
4. What are the horses 4 paces?
5. What is a snip?
6. What is the height measurement used for horses?
7. Can you have a bridle

## Answers!

1. Horses usually sleep standing up! But spend some time lying down if they feel safe!
2. Horses and ponies have a very good sense of smell
3. Horses do not have muscles in their lower legs.
4. Four basic paces of are horse are: walk, trot, canter, and gallop.
5. A snip is a face marking
6. The measurement used for horses is 'hands high' or 'hh' (1 hand = 4 inches or 10cm)
7. Yes. A bridle without a bit is called a hackamore.

## Score!

- If you got 1/7 = keep trying!
- 2/7= Just a bit more!
- 3/7= you are so close!
- 4/7= Great just that bit
- more and you will be an expert!
- 5/7= Expert in training!
- 6/7= you sure know a lot!
- 7/7 SUPER HORSE EXPERT

