

Brain Challenge #2

Antecedent Arrangement:

A familiar, fenced in area. Handler is in full contact with the horse. Have a tarp and a mattress or big foam mat (at least 4" thick) available for playing

Task #1

Scores

Tarp

The handler should hold and rattle a large tarp, walking around the horse while the horse remains still/stationed

Requirements: The horse should remain still and relaxed while the handler plays with the tarp

Accuracy: ___/5

Cues and Response: ___/5

Reinforcement: ___/5

Horse's Wellbeing: ___/5

Reviewer's Comments:

Task #2

Scores

Tarp bridge

With two handlers or tying one of the tarp to a fence, hold the tarp up and encourage the horse to move under it. At least up to their withers.

Requirements: The horse should take a peek under the tarp without concern or anxiety

Accuracy: ___/5

Cues and Response: ___/5

Reinforcement: ___/5

Horse's Wellbeing: ___/5

Reviewer's Comments:

Task #3

Scores

Tarp floor

Laying out the tarp on the ground, guide the horse to walk over it

Requirements: The horse should be unconcerned

Accuracy: ___/5

Cues and Response: ___/5

Reinforcement: ___/5

Horse's Wellbeing: ___/5

Reviewer's Comments:

Task #4	Scores
<p><u>Tarp curry comb</u> The handler should crinkle up the tarp as tight as possible, then “groom” the horse with it like a curry comb, touch the neck, barrel and rump of the horse with the tarp.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> The horse should remain relaxed and unbothered</p>	Accuracy: ___/5 Cues and Response: ___/5 Reinforcement: ___/5 Horse’s Wellbeing: ___/5
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Task #5	Scores
<p><u>Mat/mattress</u> Cue the horse to step up onto the mat/mattress so all 4 feet are on the mat, cue the horse to pick up each foot and place it back on the mat.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> The horse should work to find their balance on the mat, and be comfortable offering a hoof at a time.</p>	Accuracy: ___/5 Cues and Response: ___/5 Reinforcement: ___/5 Horse’s Wellbeing: ___/5
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Task #6	Scores
<p><u>Tarp on the mat.</u> Lead the horse off the mattress and place the tarp on top of the mat, lead the horse back on</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> The horse should be relaxed with the busy sounds and unusual texture, finding their balance and remaining calm</p>	Accuracy: ___/5 Cues and Response: ___/5 Reinforcement: ___/5 Horse’s Wellbeing: ___/5
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