

Riding Challenge #2

Antecedent Arrangement:

A familiar, fenced in area. Handler is in full contact with the horse. Have whatever bitless bridle or neck rope you plan to ride in available, a stationing spot, and 4 targets set up in a square.

Task #1

Scores

Station touch acceptance

The horse stands stationed at a mat, target, or just standing facing forward, while the handler rubs their hands on their face, behind their ears and over their nose.

Requirements: The horse should remain relaxed and calm while the handler touches them all over

Accuracy: ___/5

Cues and Response: ___/5

Reinforcement: ___/5

Horse's Wellbeing: ___/5

Reviewer's Comments:

Task #2

Scores

Bridle

The handler should hold the bridle out for the horse to target a few times in different spots. Then hold the bridle open for the horse to put on, the handler can help out with the head piece and the buckles.

Requirements: The horse should remain calm and relatively still

Accuracy: ___/5

Cues and Response: ___/5

Reinforcement: ___/5

Horse's Wellbeing: ___/5

Reviewer's Comments:

Task #3

Scores

Cue left and right

The handler should use both their target and rein to cue the horse to turn left and then right. The horse should take a step in each direction, not just turn their head, when cued.

Requirements: The horse should be confident in their decision to turn left and then right without reacting aversively to the tack

Accuracy: ___/5

Cues and Response: ___/5

Reinforcement: ___/5

Horse's Wellbeing: ___/5

Reviewer's Comments:

Task #4	Scores
<p><u>First target</u> The handler should cue the horse to go to the first target in the square, so they can follow the path to the left. As they approach the target the handler should give their verbal “walk” cue and as they reach the target the handler should give their verbal “woah” cue</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> The horse should be confident with each cue, reinforce as desired. The horse should not appear frustrated.</p>	<p>Accuracy: ___/5 Cues and Response: ___/5 Reinforcement: ___/5 Horse’s Wellbeing: ___/5</p>
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Task #5	Scores
<p><u>Target square left</u> The handler should continue task #4 throughout the rest, cuing the horse to go to the next target, then after stopping at the target, turn the horse to the left, toward the next target. Repeat this until you have come back to the first target. Using all your walk, woah, and turn left cues.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> The horse should respond confidently to each cue.</p>	<p>Accuracy: ___/5 Cues and Response: ___/5 Reinforcement: ___/5 Horse’s Wellbeing: ___/5</p>
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Task #6	Scores
<p><u>Target square right</u> From here cue the horse to turn around and face the targets so they will be circling to the right. Send them around the full target square utilizing your walk, woah, and turn right cues.</p> <p><u>Requirements:</u> The horse should respond confidently to each cue. Reinforce as desired.</p>	<p>Accuracy: ___/5 Cues and Response: ___/5 Reinforcement: ___/5 Horse’s Wellbeing: ___/5</p>
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