

Bareback Level 1 Test sheet

October 19, 2008 (2:18pm)

Name _____

Date _____

Tester _____

All tested skills are graded with one of these markings:

(NP) Needs Practice

(OK) OK to Pass - keep referring to the requirements because this will need to be better at higher levels.

(E) Excellent - keep refining those skills of feel.

(Testers: Please make helpful notes at each task so the student can continue to improve their horsemanship.)

_____ **Have satisfied all requirements for Groundwork Level 1 and Riding Level 1**

_____ **Viewed *Anatomy in Motion 1 - The Visible Horse* by Susan Harris and Peggy Brown and completed worksheet.**

All riding is done with no saddle or bareback pad. Tester: have rider ride the riding test and mark each skill with the grade as it is completed.

_____ **Drop reins and close eyes and allow horse to go where it wants for at least 5 minutes - not directing the horse, just keeping forward momentum with lightness - too much leg here will make us start the time over.**

_____ **Walk around arena**

_____ **Change direction across a diagonal.**

_____ **Identify hoof that tester asks you to call out as it is ready to “fly.” Tester - be sure to ask for all 4 feet within the testing time.**

_____ **Walk down centerline through 5 cones with drag and drop rein.**

_____ **Do a shallow serpentine on both long sides of arena at the walk.**

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_____ **Do 4 one-rein stops as they are called out. 2 in one direction, then 2 in other direction.**

_____ **Trot the length of the arena, twice.**

_____ **Walk along the edge of the arena halting at letters as they are called out any part of the horse can be at the letter 7 out of 10 times.**

_____ **Identify some colors:**

- Lad is a liver chestnut
- Senator is a chestnut
- Cherry is a blood bays or just bay
- Gypsy is a golden bay
- Most white horses are actually gray
- Palomino
- Paint
- Sorrel
- Dapple Gray
- Flea bitten Gray

_____ **Safety Rules Test**

Tester Signature _____