

HORSE POWER

EDUCATOR GUIDE

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FROM THE FILM:

In the film we are introduced to a variety of horses and the amazing abilities of different breeds including their strength, speed, intuition, and courage. This activity will further expand on what we learn in the film Horse Power.

ACTIVITY OVERVIEW:

Students will apply their knowledge from the film Horse Power to a classroom derby game that takes place over three rounds. At the beginning of a round, each team must answer a trivia question correctly in order to move a space forward on the track. The first team to make it to the end wins the horse derby!

MATERIALS

- Printed copy of the Horse Power track, character cut-outs, and trivia questions
- Scissors

EDUCATOR PREP

- Print out copies of the game board, character cut-outs and trivia questions.
- Give each group a character they can cut out and a list of the Horse Power trivia questions.



Classroom Derby: Trivia Questions List

01 **QUESTION:** Where did humans first tame the wild horse?

- a)** North America
- b)** Arabia
- c)** Central Asia
- d)** Europe

02 **QUESTION:** What does the name Tuulai (the Mongolian foal) mean?

- a)** Hope
- b)** White rabbit
- c)** Strength

03 **QUESTION:** Which horse is known for their unbreakable loyalty?

- a)** The Mustang
- b)** The Dutch Warmblood
- c)** The Mongolian horse

04 **QUESTION:** What is the primary job of the Dutch Warmblood police horse?

- a)** Crowd control
- b)** Disaster relief
- c)** Community outreach (parades, etc)

05 **QUESTION:** Which horse breed is known for incredible endurance and surviving in the harsh Western Steppe? (write answer below)

06 **QUESTION:** How did horses originally spread from North America to Asia?

- a)** By boat
- b)** They swam across the Pacific
- c)** Across the Bering land bridge

07 **QUESTION:** What ancient breed of horse is being reintroduced to the wild after nearly going extinct 60 years ago?

- a)** Przewalski's Horse
- b)** The Dutch Warmblood
- c)** The Mustang

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08 QUESTION: What makes the Przewalski horse especially unique?

- a)** It can't neigh
- b)** It has never been tamed
- c)** It lives only in deserts
- d)** It has no tail

09 QUESTION: Which horse was once used by Bedouins for warfare and is now known for speed? (write answer below)

10 QUESTION: Where did horses first evolve?

- a)** Asia
- b)** Africa
- c)** North America

11 QUESTION: Arabian horses can reach speeds of over:

- a)** 40 km/h
- b)** 50 km/h
- c)** 60 km/h

12 QUESTION: How do the flared nostrils help the Arabian horse breathe more efficiently? (write answer below)

13 QUESTION: Which kind of horses fight for control of the herd? (write answer below)

14 QUESTION: What is the name of the famous Arabian stallion in Doha, Qatar who won the Arabian Triple Crown?

- a)** Al Ghadeer
- b)** Al-Madrid
- c)** Badr

15 QUESTION: What breed is used in police work for its calm temperament and trust in humans? (write answer below)

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16 **QUESTION:** What is the primary characteristic that Digby and Hazel, the Miniature horses, have that allows them to bring support and joy to people?

- a)** Kindness
- b)** Intuition
- c)** Playfulness

17 **QUESTION:** What animal instinct do horses overcome when training for police work?

- a)** Curiosity
- b)** Hunger
- c)** Flight response
- d)** Aggression

18 **QUESTION:** How can Digby and Hazel, the miniature American horses, help children in the hospital? (write answer below)

19 **QUESTION:** What is the Mongolian horse's super power?

- a)** Agility
- b)** Endurance
- c)** Speed

20 **QUESTION:** What healing methods does Clayton use to help traumatized horses like Jedda?

- a)** Electric therapy
- b)** Loud noises
- c)** Ancient songs and breathing
- d)** High-speed exercise

21 **QUESTION:** How many Przewalski's Horses live in the wild today?

- a)** Under 1,000
- b)** About 3,000
- c)** 10,000

22 **QUESTION:** In the film, how many Przewalski's Horses are reintroduced into the nature reserve in China? (write answer below)

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23 **QUESTION:** Which horse has lungs ten times the size of humans and huge hearts, both of which help it reach high speeds?

- a)** The Mongolian horse
- b)** The Arabian horse
- c)** The Dutch Warmblood

24 **QUESTION:** Horses, like Digby and Hazel, the Miniature horses, can recognize themselves in a mirror. What does seeing one's own reflection a sign of?

- a)** Increased self-esteem
- b)** Emotional maturity
- c)** Intelligence and self-awareness

25 **QUESTION:** How long is the race that Jula and Tuulai compete in?

- a)** 12 miles
- b)** 62 miles
- c)** 100 miles

Classroom Derby: Trivia Answers

01 **c)** Central Asia

02 **b)** White rabbit

03 **a)** The Mustang

04 **a)** Crowd control

05 The Mongolian Horse.

06 **c)** Across the Bering land bridge

07 **a)** Przewalski's Horse

08 **b)** It has never been tamed

09 The Arabian Horse.

10 **c)** North America

11 **c)** 60 km/h

12 They pull in more oxygen.

13 The Mustang Bachelor Stallions.

14 **a)** Al Ghadeer

15 The Dutch Warmblood.

16 **b)** Intuition

17 **c)** Flight response

18 They can bring joy to people and help calm them. Digby can even lower his heart rate to match the child's.

19 **b)** Endurance

20 **c)** Ancient songs and breathing

21 **b)** About 3,000

22 5 horses.

23 **b)** The Arabian horse

24 **c)** Intelligence and self-awareness

25 **a)** 12 miles



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VICTORY

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place your marker on the **START** line.
2. Go through and answer each trivia question.
3. For every correct answer you receive, move your marker one square.
4. The team that reaches the Victory Circle first, wins!