



# AG-VENTURE WITH HORSE

Use the IAITC Horse Ag Mag to help you work through this worksheet!

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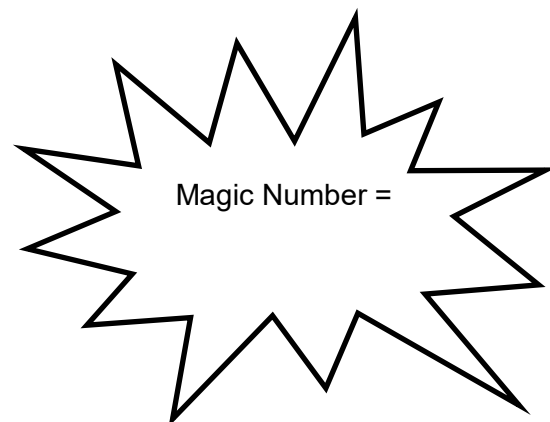
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- B. Incisors
- C. Foal
- D. Equus
- E. Horsepower
- F. Hooves
- G. Mucking
- H. Appaloosa
- I. Hippology

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- 2. Removing the droppings from a stall
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- 4. Term to describe how much work is done by an engine
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- 6. The scientific term for modern-day horses
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# TEACHER RESOURCES

## ANSWER KEY

Practice your poetic skills! After reading through the Ag Mag and learning about horses, create an acrostic poem for the word “horse.”

**H**orses are magnificent creatures that have

**O**ver time helped humans in countless ways.

**R**iding, herding, racing;

**S**o strong that even work by the

**E**ngine of a car is named from a horse’s power.

Explain how the use of horses has changed over time and why. Be sure to use evidence from the text to support your answer!

*Answers will vary but should be focused on how horses were tamed to be used for pulling carts in ancient civilizations. Horses also used to be the most popular means of traveling, communication, mail delivery, and were used as alliances in war situations.*

*Over time, developments in transportation and machinery replaced horses. Horses in modern-day agriculture are used on cattle ranches, recreational activities like horseback riding and trail riding, policing in large cities, competitions and rodeos, therapy, and horse racing.*

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A. 3	I. 5	H. 7
E. 4	C. 9	G. 2

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