



## HIPOLOGY 101 HORSE COLORS

Please put your name and the county you are from in the chat box while you wait



# TONIGHT'S PLAN OF ATTACK

- Let's Get to Know Each Other
- What is Hippology?
- Horse Colors
- Have You Ever?
- Horse Colors Variations
- Review of Today



# LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER

## ALL ABOUT ME



I was born in



My favorite sweet treat is



My favorite vacation spot is



In my spare time I like to



My family consists of



One thing people don't know about me is

# WHAT IS HIPPOLOGY?



# THE FIVE BASIC'S

## COAT COLORS

- Bay
- Black
- Brown
- Chestnut
- White

## VARIATIONS

- Gray
- Palomino
- Pinto
- Roan
- Dun

# BAY

- Mixture of red and tan
- Many shades from light tan to a dark rich shade
- Black points (mane, tail and lower portion of legs)



# BAY



- Mane and tail give it away every time

WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?





# BLACK

- Completely black including muzzle and flank, eyes hoofs and skin
- The points are always black



# BLACK



- Tan or brown hairs on the muzzle or flank indicates that the horse is not a true black but a seal brown

WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?



# BROWN

- Almost black but has fine tan or brown hairs on muzzle or flanks
- Many brown horses are mistakenly called black, because they are so dark



# BROWN



- A close examination of the hair on the muzzle and around the lips will quickly tell whether the horse is brown or black
- The mane and tail are always dark

WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?



# CHESTNUT

- (Sorrel) Coat is basically red
- Mane and tail are normally the same shade as body (never black)
- If the mane and tail are lighter in color than the body, the horse is termed a flax or flaxen chestnut



# CHESTNUT



- Chestnut color varies from light yellow (light chestnut) to a rich mahogany red (dark chestnut)
- Between these come the brilliant red-gold and copper shades



WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?



# WHITE

- A true white horse is born pure white and dies the same color
- Very little, if any, seasonal change takes place in coat color
- Age does not affect it



# WHITE



- Has pink skin and brown eyes (rarely blue)

WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?



HAVE YOU EVER?



TIME TO STAND UP

Have you ever rode a  
horse in a horse  
show?



Have you ever been  
bucked off a horse?



Have you ever talked  
to your horse about a  
problem?





Have you ever rode in  
shorts and boots?



Have you ever rode  
your horse through  
water?



# COAT COLOR VARIATIONS

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- Gray
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# GRAY

- Mixture of white and black hairs on black skin
- Appear black at birth, but lighten with age
- Grays are often dappled
- Dapples are small spots of a lighter or darker color



WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?



# PALOMINO



- Golden colors with white, silver or ivory mane and tail
- Varying from bright copper color, to light yellow
- True Palominos have no black points

WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?



# PINTO

- May be any of the coat colors, but has irregular colored and white areas
- Two color patterns (tobiano and overo)
- A great deal of white on the upper legs or face is a pretty good indication of pinto blood





# PINTO = TOBIANO



- Head is usually marked like a solid color horse with a blaze, star, etc.
- All four legs are white, spots are regular and distinct and there is usually dark color in flank area
- May be predominantly white or colored

# PINTO = OVERO

- Usually have a least one dark leg, a bald face, one-color tail and calico (splashy) coat pattern with no white crossing the black
- May be mainly white or colored



WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?



# POAN

- Mixture of white hairs with one or more base colors
- Many are born and die about the same color



# RED ROAN

- White with bay = red roan
- Sometimes called a bay roan



# STRAWBERRY ROAN

- White with chestnut = strawberry roan



# BLUE ROAN

- White with black = blue roan



WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?





# DUN FAMILY

- Must be buckskin, dun, red dun or grulla
- Points refer to mane, tail, legs and ear frames
- Dorsal stripe



# BUCKSKIN<sup>👑</sup>



- Body coat is some shade of tan from very light-cream to very dark-bronze
- Points are black or dark brown
- Dorsal stripe is not required

# RED DUN

- Body coat is reddish tan
- Mane and tail are red, brown, cream or mixed
- Points and dun factor markings area reddish brown
- Dorsal stripe is required



# GRULLA

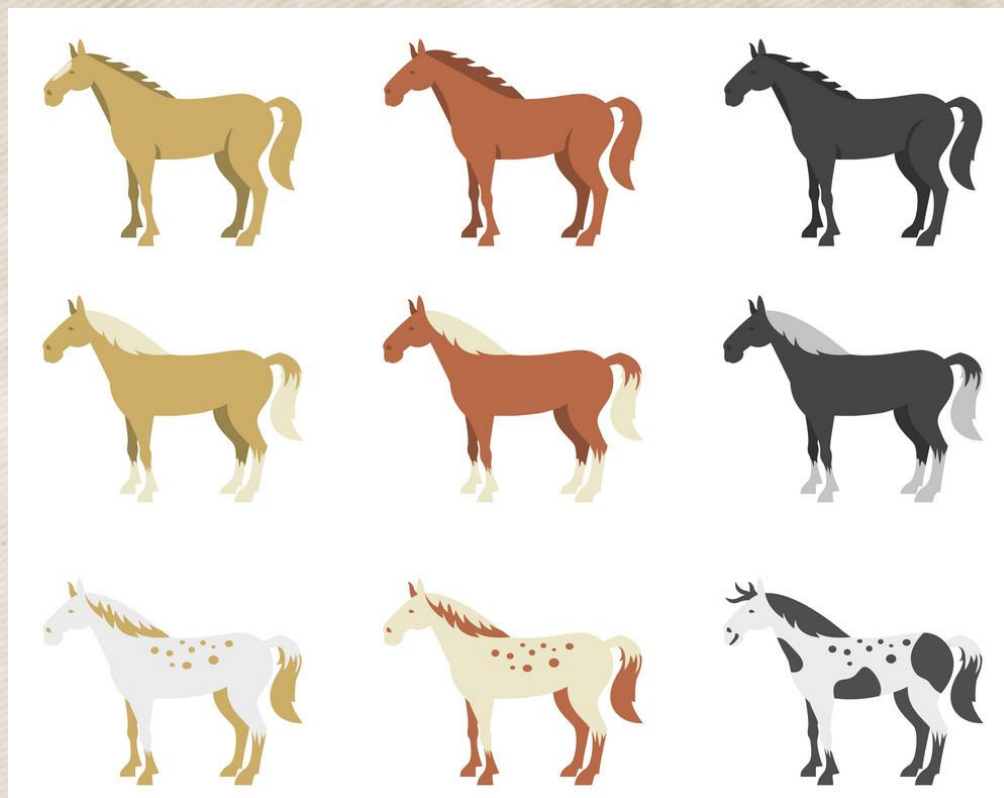
- Body coat is slate color (bluish gray) from light blue gray to brownish shade
- Points and dun factor markings are black
- Dorsal stripe is required



WHAT COLOR IS THIS HORSE?



# WHO CAN NAME THESE HORSE COLORS?



# Review



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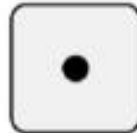
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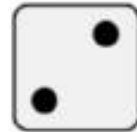


# Dice Debrief



Name one new thing you learned today.

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Acknowledge someone for a job well done.

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Describe a good idea you heard.

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Describe a feeling you experienced.

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Describe something that pushed you outside your comfort zone.

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How will you apply what you learned today?

**NEXT PRACTICE**  
**MAY 5 AT 4PM – SAME LINK**



**QUESTIONS?**