



PONY CLUB



BANDAGES AND RUGS

Mini Achievement Badge

Learning Objectives

Which ponies might need rugs. To identify a tail and stable bandage.

Syllabus

- 1 Understand that many small ponies do not need rugs.
- 2 Know that some ponies need fly rugs in the summer.
- 3 Realise that a clipped pony will need a rug in winter
- 4 Know that there are several different types of bandages. Be able to identify a tail bandage, and a stable bandage.

Teaching Ideas and Resources

- 1 Ask class why ponies may not need rugs. Colour in a diagram of a small/native pony with a winter coat and big mane and tail. Discuss or draw breeds/types of ponies that many not need rugs. Have any of the members known any ponies like this?
- 2 Give class a diagram of a pony. Ask them to draw arrows to point to the places that flies irritate ponies. How do they know if a pony is irritated by flies? Ask them to pretend to be ponies upset by flies.
- 3 Talk to class about why a pony that is clipped may need a rug. How many words can they find to describe how they might feel without a coat or jumper in a field in winter.
- 4 Have a pile of several different bandages, each member to pick out either a tail or stable bandage.

Recommended Reading

14th Edition The Pony Club Manual Bandages P92, 93 Rugs P88 - 92

Questions

- 1** What types of ponies probably do not need rugs?
- 2** How might you know that a pony would be more comfortable wearing a fly rug?
- 3** Why does a clipped pony need a rug in winter?
- 4** Please select one tail bandage and one stable bandage from this pile of bandages.

Answers

- 1** Ponies that have big coats, manes and tails, possibly native ponies.
- 2** Ponies shaking their heads up and down and from side to side. Ponies kicking out, and restless, walking and refusing to rest. Insect bites.
- 3** Because clipping has taken away the natural hairy coat which keeps ponies warm.
- 4** Correct bandage selected.