

Learning to Jump 180 Study Guide

Interview judging will be held in July at West Holmes High School. All horse exhibitors are required to attend judging in order to exhibit their animal at the Holmes County Fair. If a member cannot attend the judging, they need to speak with their advisor about attending one of two prejudging dates. Members are not eligible for the outstanding award if they do not attend interview judging at WHHS.

Please dress appropriately for the interview. The dress code can be found in your 4H newsletter and on the Holmes County OSU extension website

Members are required to bring a completed record book for each project. See record book guidelines for your age group.

Record book, appearance, and attitude (20 points total)

Interview questions (40 points total)

What equipment/ tack do you need to jump? (5 points)

Which bit is designed to be used with double reins and not recommended for beginners? (1 point)

What basic skills should you be able to do before attempting to jump? (2 points each for a total of 10 possible)

What does trotting through a grid of cavaletti teach your horse? (2 points)

How many poles should you have for cavaletti and how far apart should you first place them? (4 points)

What part of the jump should you go over? (1 point)

Where should you look when jumping? (2 points)

What are the results of hitting the horse in the mouth when jumping? (2 points)

How do you correct this? (3 points)

What is the length of a canter stride? (2 points)

What are the 4 parts of a jump? (4 points)

What will your horse likely do if you look down at the jump? (1 point)

What could happen if you start jumping your horse without proper warmup? (2 points)

How long should you warm your horse up before jumping? (1 point)

Skillathon (40 points total)

Become familiar with the tack, equipment and bits listed on page 10 that you would use for jumping. Tack store websites are a great way to see what a bit looks like, what a close contact saddle looks like compared to a dressage saddle etc.

Know the parts of the horse.

