

Hooves, Hands and Feet!

You may have noticed that horses don't have hands! They have something very special on the bottom of each leg called a 'hoof' (if we are talking about more than one hoof, they are called 'hooves').

1. How many hooves does a horse, pony, donkey or mule have? _____
2. What do humans have instead of hooves? _____
3. Look carefully at a horse's hoof. Draw the shape you see here.

4. Circle any of the following words you would use to describe a hoof.

Hard Soft Wet Dry Weak Strong Sensitive Insensitive

5. Which of the following activities do you think a hoof would be good for?

Holding a pencil | Running very fast | Eating sweets | Having a scratch
Typing on a computer | Walking up steep hills | Protecting everything inside the hoof |
Kicking someone!

6. Horse's hooves grow slowly all the time, just like your nails. They need trimming every few weeks to stop them getting too long. Do you know what someone who looks after horse's feet is called?

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