

What does a horse drink?



A horse drinks **water**

Horses feel thirsty like us

Horses need water to survive

They can drink from water buckets or from water troughs

Horses must have access to water at all times

What does a horse eat?



A horse eats **grass**

Horses like to eat grass

Grass grows in a paddock or field



A horse may also eat **hay**

Hay is harvested, dried grass

Hay feels rough to the touch and smells sweet

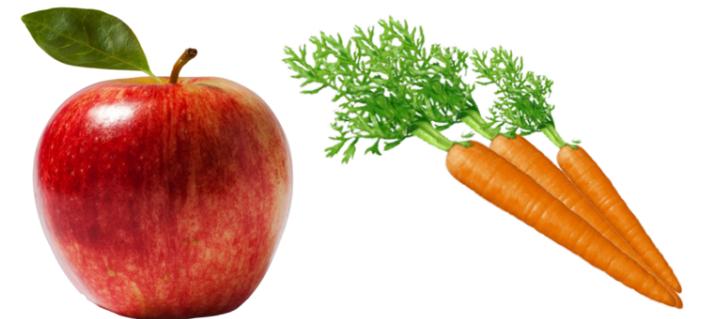
A horse may also eat these things:

Horse and pony mix



Treats

Apples and carrots can be tasty treats for horses, but they should only be given to them once a day



Where does a horse live?



A horse lives in a **field**



A horse may also live in a **stable**

A horse with tack

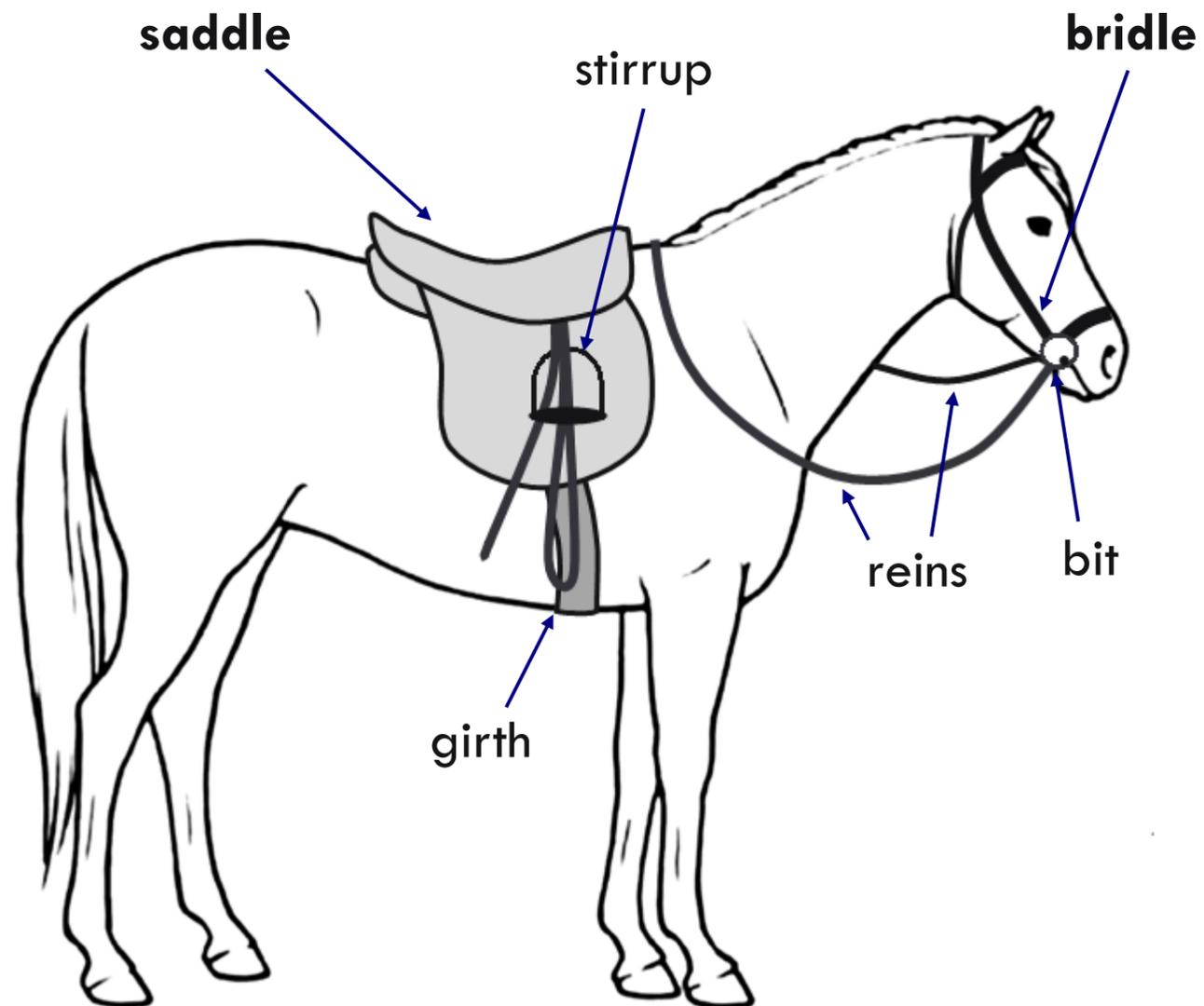
When we are ready to ride, we put special equipment called **tack** on a horse

This is called tacking up

Tack must be fitted carefully so that the rider and the horse are safe and comfortable

Tack is used to help the rider to control the horse

Tack should only be used on the horse when it is being ridden



Staying safe around horses

- ✓ Always try to approach the horse from the side or the front—never from behind
- ✓ Always walk calmly and sensibly towards your horse
- ✓ Say your horse or pony's name and talk to them. They may recognise your voice!
- ✗ Never shout, make any loud noises or run near horses

The points of the horse

