

The basics of feeding and grooming

We need to take very good care of our horses.

Horses need to be **groomed** regularly, to make sure they stay healthy.

Good grooming is very good for horses' skin. Brushing the whole of a horse's body keeps the coat smooth and glossy and removes loose hair, dust and dirt.

Picking out the horse's hooves with a hoof pick removes dirt and keeps the horse's feet clean and comfortable. It's also a great time to check that the horse has not hurt or damaged its feet in any way.

Grooming the mane and tail with a brush removes knots and dirt, and keeps the horse looking neat and tidy



brushing the mane



picking out the hoof



brushing the coat

Syllabus - Grade 3

The participant should be able to complete the Carriage Driving section of the syllabus as well as the Horse Care section.

Carriage Driving:

- Demonstrate how to harness up
- Discuss fit of the harness and vehicle
- Be able to drive and put together simple movements required in a driven dressage test
- Demonstrate the considerate driving of a cones course
- Show that you know these parts of a harness: Those in Grade 1 & 2, plus ROSETTE, BELLY BAND, TRACE CARRIER, BREECHING STRAP, GIRTH, LOIN STRAP, BACK BAND and BIT USED
- Have a basic knowledge of the parts of the vehicle: TRACE HOOKS, QUICK RELEASES, REIN RAIL, RAMPS.

Horse Care:

- Show that you know these parts of a horse: Those in Grade 1 & 2, plus FROG, WALL OF THE HOOF, SOLE, CREST, FLANK, ELBOW, DOCK, FETLOCK, MUZZLE, LOIN, HOCK
- Show basic knowledge of the needs of a horse: FEEDING, WATERING, GROOMING
- Show that you know these items: HEADCOLLAR, HAYNET, LEAD ROPE, RUG
- Show that you know how to correctly and safely pick up and pick out a horse's hoof.

Additional Equipment

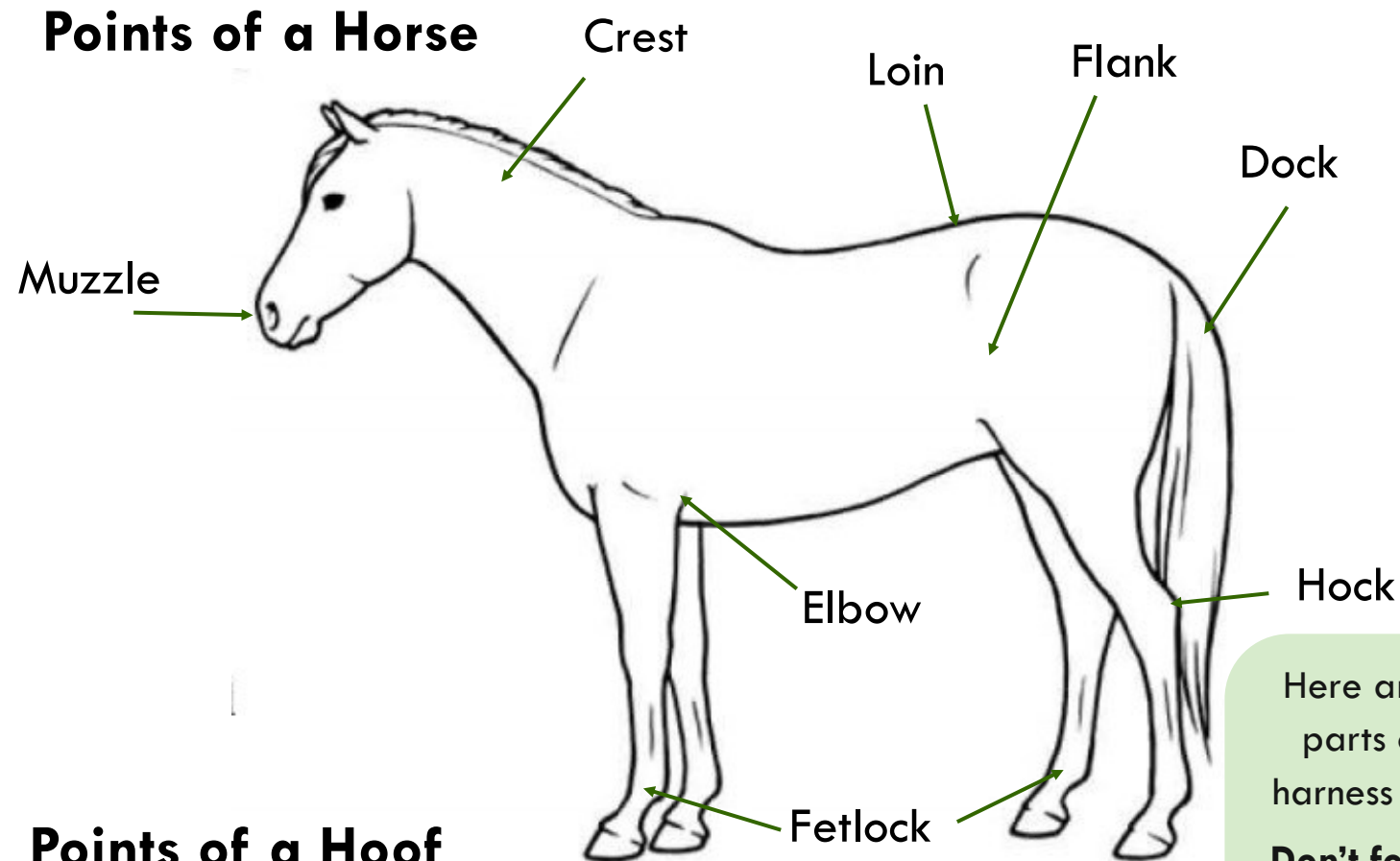


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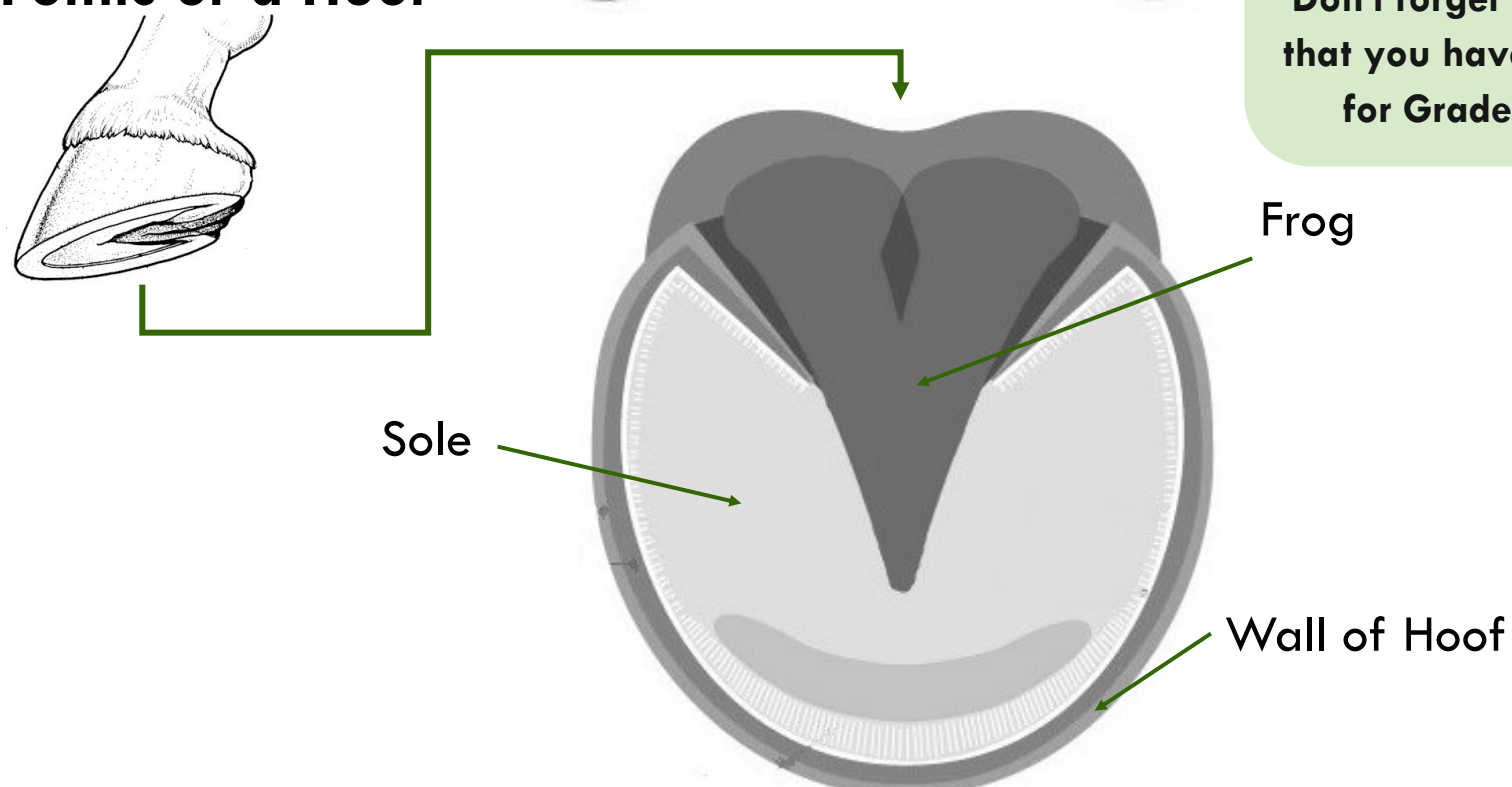
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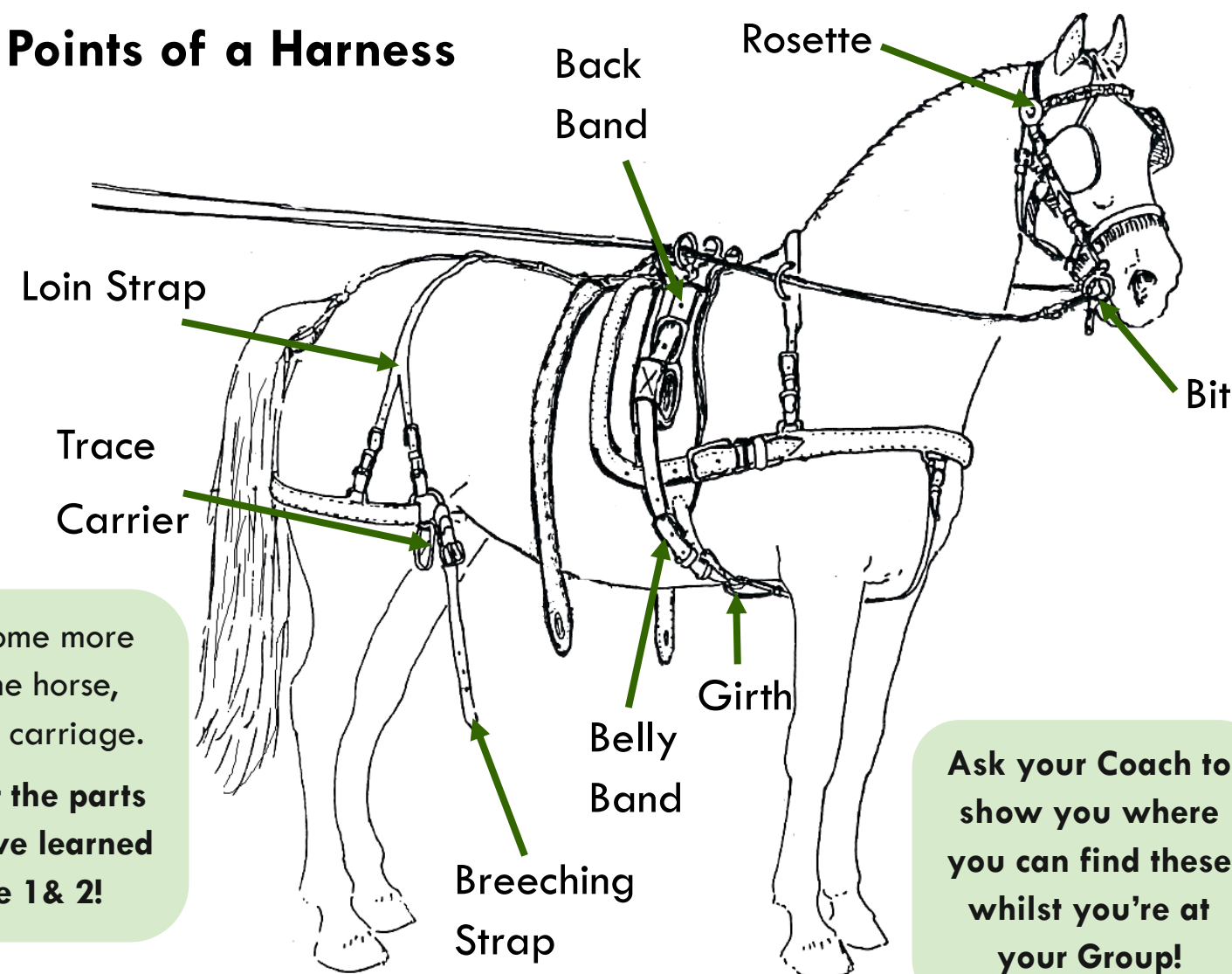
Points of a Horse



Points of a Hoof



Points of a Harness



Here are some more parts of the horse, harness and carriage. Don't forget the parts that you have learned for Grade 1 & 2!

Ask your Coach to show you where you can find these whilst you're at your Group!

Points of a Carriage

