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## Are you ready for your D Proficiency Certificate?

Can you ride your horse or pony at the walk, trot and canter and take care of your pony and gear? You should think about going for your D certificate and booking an assessment if you can do the following:

With your horse do you know:

- What to wear to be safe
- Ways to train your horse using pressure and release
- About the flight response in horses
- How to reward your horse when training?

Can you show:

- How to lead your horse, including stop and go, slow, step back and turn
- How to catch a horse, tie him up safely and let him go?

When riding, do you know how to:

- Mount and dismount
- Hold, shorten and lengthen the reins
- Start, stop and steer the horse at the walk, trot and canter
- Increase and decrease your speed
- Ride in a group?

Have you learnt:

- Signs of a healthy horse
- How to tie a hay net
- The tools you need for grooming and how to use them
- Parts of the saddle and bridle
- Parts of the horse?

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