



This Passport belongs to:

This Passport is for:

(add your horse's name)



A Poetry Passport for a horse

Every horse needs a passport- it identifies your horse and has to be shown to vets when they treat your horse and to anyone who wants to buy a horse. Your passport is going to be a little bit different as it will be a Poetry Passport. You can find lots of inspiration for poetry in the museum, sometimes in unexpected places.

Your first job is to name your horse. Race horse names have to be fewer than 18 characters (including spaces) and have no more than seven syllables. Here are some ideas to help you decide a name.

The Grand Adjective Hunt1. Sparkling Dawn2. Misty Mountain3. Brave Anna4. Gracious George5	 The All-comers Alliteration Championship Chase 1. Red Rum 2. Polly's Pursuit 3. Mix and Mingle 4. Flat Fleet Feet 5
The All Stars Rhyming Vase1. Double Trouble2. Roly-Poly3. Ever So Clever4. Molly The Dolly5	The Catchphrase Cup1. Mind Your Manners2. Bit Of A Pickle3. Who Dares Wins4. Don't Push It5
The Repetition-Repetition Derby1. Hot Hot Pepper2. Four Four Five3. Haha Haha4. Bam-Bam5	The Assonance Classic1. Honest Robber2. Never Better3. Lord Of The Storm4. The Winter King5
 The Wordplay Hurdle 1. Sweeping Beauty 2. Hoof Hearted 3. Sotally Tober 4. Pot8os 	The Nonsense Names National1. Lord Debit Card2. Crinkle Bottom3. Arrr4. Whykickamoocow

You can check whether your horse's name is available using a digital interactive in the Weatherby's Room in the Kings Yard.

My horse's name is_____

(Now write it in the box on the front cover)





Describing your horse

Now you need to think about what your horse is like. If you are lucky when you visit the Rothschild yard you will see some live horses. There are also lots of films you can watch about horses to give you some ideas. Once you have seen some other horses have a think about your imaginary horse. How old is it? Is it male or female? What colour is it?

Write down some ideas about your horse using this picture to help. Once you have got some ideas you are going to write a poem describing your horse.





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My Horse

Choose one of the ideas below to help your write a poem about your horse. Think about what it looks and sounds like and what sort of personality your horse has.

Horse Sense		Horse Dreams
l am	and I can see	l am
l am	and I can hear	Who loves
l am	and I can taste	Who needs
l am	and I can smell	Who hates
l am	and I can feel	Who fears
l am		Who remembers
		Who dreams of
		l am





My Horse

One way to write a poem to describe a horse is to use expanded noun phrases like the example below. This was written by a Y6 group who decided that the poem worked well if they added an adjective to each line and then edited these out one by one until they got back to 'My Horse' although they then decided it sounded better to finish with the horse's name.

Have a go at describing your horse using this idea

My horse...





Using different types of sentences to make a poem.

You can make a poem to describe your horse using different kinds of sentences.

- a command
- a question
- a statement
- an exclamation

Here is a poem written by some children in Y2

Gallop quickly Can I gallop quickly? I can gallop quickly How quickly I can gallop!

Think about your horse and write a poem about it using different kinds of sentences. You don't have to use them in the same order. To help, write some example of the different sentences in the boxes below and then pick the ones you like best to make a poem.

Commands	Statements
Questions	Exclamations





Write a birthday card to your horse

Red Rum was a very famous and popular racehorse. He won one of the most famous races -the Grand National- three times. In 1973 there was a different horse (Crisp) who was in the lead for most of the way round but Red Rum caught up and won in the last few moments. Lots of people still think that this race is the one of the most exciting ever. In the 'Heroes and Legends' display you can see this race and some 30th birthday cards sent by people to Red Rum.

Have a go at writing a poem to be written in a card and sent to Red Rum, a horse you love or to your own imaginary horse. The poem could be an ode which is a sort of poem written to celebrate a particular person, place or thing- you could really go over the top!

