

Objective

By the end of this lesson, Jordan will have a comprehensive understanding of horse care, including their anatomy, behavior, and the responsibilities involved in raising horses. Jordan will also improve reading, spelling, and critical thinking skills through engaging activities related to horses.

Materials and Prep

- Notebook and pen for taking notes
- Access to books or articles about horses (can be online resources)
- Spelling list of horse-related vocabulary
- ASL resources for horse-related signs (can be online videos)
- Basic cooking supplies for a horse treat recipe (oats, carrots, molasses)
- Logic puzzles or brain teasers related to horses
- Common sense scenarios involving horse care for discussion

Activities

- **Reading Assignment:** Jordan will read a chapter from a book or an article about horse anatomy or behavior. This will enhance reading comprehension and vocabulary related to horses.
- **Spelling Challenge:** Create a spelling list of horse-related words (e.g., saddle, bridle, stall). Jordan will practice these words and then use them in sentences to reinforce understanding.
- **ASL Practice:** Learn and practice American Sign Language signs related to horses, such as "horse," "groom," and "feed." This will help improve communication skills and introduce a new language.
- **Horse Treat Recipe:** Jordan will follow a simple recipe to make horse treats, using oats and carrots. This will teach basic cooking skills and the importance of nutrition for horses.
- **Logic Puzzles:** Solve horse-themed logic puzzles. This activity will enhance critical thinking and logic skills while keeping the learning fun.
- **Common Sense Scenarios:** Discuss various scenarios related to horse care (e.g., what to do if a horse is sick). This will encourage Jordan to think critically and apply common sense in real-life situations.

Talking Points

- "Horses are amazing animals with unique behaviors and needs. Understanding them is key to being a responsible horse owner."
- "Spelling is important because it helps you communicate clearly, especially when discussing horse care with others."
- "Learning ASL can help you communicate with people who are deaf or hard of hearing, and it's a fun way to connect with others!"
- "Making horse treats is not only a fun activity but also teaches you about the nutritional needs of horses."
- "Logic puzzles help us think critically and solve problems, skills that are essential when caring for animals."
- "Common sense is crucial in horse care. For example, knowing when to call a vet can make a big difference in a horse's health."