

Arena Games

Sock Sorting

Description - fun version of cattle sorting with no cows

Supplies - (socks, barrel, bucket, timer, clipboard, paper/pen)

- Take ten (10) socks numbered 0-9 and randomly arrange them on the rail by the creek between gate and the light so that the riders can see the numbers.
- Set up barrel with sock on top near arena fence by announcers booth
- Have riders line up on horseback and pair off
- They start behind barrel and you randomly call out a number between 0-9.
- Start the timer when they pass the barrel.
- One rider rides from behind the barrel to the other side, finds the sock with the number, grabs it and rides back to drop it in the bucket on top of the barrel.
- Once it is in the bucket, the other rider may ride across to find the next sequential numbered sock
- This repeats until all socks are in the bucket.
- Stop the timer and write down their time.
- Replace the socks in a random order on the fence and repeat until all pairs have ridden.

Potato Race

Description - single barrel race with a potato

Supplies - (1 potato, 1 bucket, timer, clipboard, pen)

- Place one bucket on the ground at the end of the arena near 100 acres, leave enough room for a horse to stop and go around the bucket
- Place barrel near start line with a potato on top.
- Rider grabs the potato and races to the end with the bucket and drops it in the bucket and races back to the start/finish line
- Write down the time and start the next rider.

Musical Hats

Description - fun version of musical chairs on horseback.

Supplies - (PVC poles, timer, music, baseball hats)

- Arrange poles in a huge circle
- Each rider needs a baseball hat
- One less pole than there are riders
- Start music and everyone walks around the poles
- When music stops, riders find a pole to hang their hat.
- Rider that can't find a pole is eliminated
- Remove a pole and repeat until one rider is left.
- When down to two riders, move two poles to each end of single pole, 10 feet away

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Where's My Boots?

Description - Find your boots in the pile

Supplies - (Riders, Handlers and Boots)

- Have riders ride near 100 acres
- Drop their boots, ride back to main gate area
- Riders wait behind start line
- Handlers are positioned 20 feet away from pile of boots
- Handlers mix boots around and scatter them
- Riders ride to a handler, dismount, find their boots, put them on and return to handler
- Mount horse and ride back to starting line
- Someone verify winners by crossing the finish line and correct boots.

Spoon/Ping Pong ball

Description - ride your horse balancing a ping pong ball on a spoon

Supplies - (Riders, ping pong balls, spoons)

- Hand out ping pong balls/spoons
- Have riders walk complete circle with spoon and ball
- Have riders trot with spoon and ball
- Have riders lope with spoon and ball