

D1-D2 Unmounted Lesson Plan

Parts of the Bridle

Purpose: To familiarize the participants with words associated with parts of the bridle, their uses and to put a bridle together

Equipment: Two-3 clean bridles. A bag of small individually wrapped candies of several varieties, avoid gum.

Ages from 6-9

Group size 6-8

Have the participants watch as you take the bridle apart and show them each part explaining its use. Have them help you, show you which part to use next, while reassembling the bridle.

Divide the groups into teams of 2-4

Give each team a bridle; have them disassemble the bridle, first one person takes something off, then the next team member removes something, passing the bridles around the team until it is a bare bit.

Now have them reassemble the bridles in the same manner, one person puts one part on them the next one put another part on.

The team that has the bridle correctly reassembled first wins first choice of the candy, the second team has second choice.

Be ready with praise!

Reference: D Manual; pg 249
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