

Text 2



Read the description.

My pet



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I live on a farm in Australia. We raise lots of animals. My favourite is my horse Coby. She is five years old now. When she was thirty minutes old, she could stand up by herself. That is amazing! I was eleven months old when I could stand up by myself.

5 Coby could run when she was ninety minutes old. I was fifteen months old when I could run. Foals learn things more quickly than human babies! Foals can jump when they are one day old. Mum said I could jump when I was three years old. I think it is easier for horses. They have four legs so they don't fall down so easily! Coby grew up very fast. Now she is so strong.

10 My brother, Steven, has a horse too. His name is Ron. We could both ride by ourselves when we were five years old. We go for long rides together and have races. I usually win! I love riding Coby. I feel so tall sitting in the saddle on her back. I use the reins to tell her to go left or right.

15 In summer Coby eats grass but in winter I feed her every day. I like brushing her mane and tail but I don't enjoy cleaning her stable. Dirty hay is really smelly!



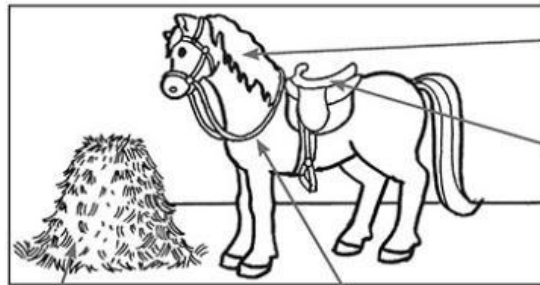
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**B** Read the description again and correct the underlined mistakes.

- 1 Coby could jump when she was one year old. _____ day
- 2 Coby could run when she was thirty minutes old. _____
- 3 Rosie could run when she was eleven months old. _____
- 4 Rosie is five years old. _____

**C** Read lines 12–16. Label the pictures with these words: saddle, reins, mane, stable, hay.

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**D** Blacken ● the circles.

- 1 Read Paragraph 2. What is a 'foal'?

☐ A. a human baby
☐ C. a baby horse

☐ B. an old horse
☐ D. a pupil
- 2 Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the description?

☐ A. Rosie's pet
☐ B. when Rosie could ride a horse by herself
☐ C. Steven's pet
☐ D. when Steven could stand up by himself
- ★ 3 What is the main idea of Paragraph 2?

☐ A. Rosie could run and jump when she was three years old.
☐ B. It is easier for horses to jump.
☐ C. Coby is big and strong now.
☐ D. Foals learn things more quickly than human babies.