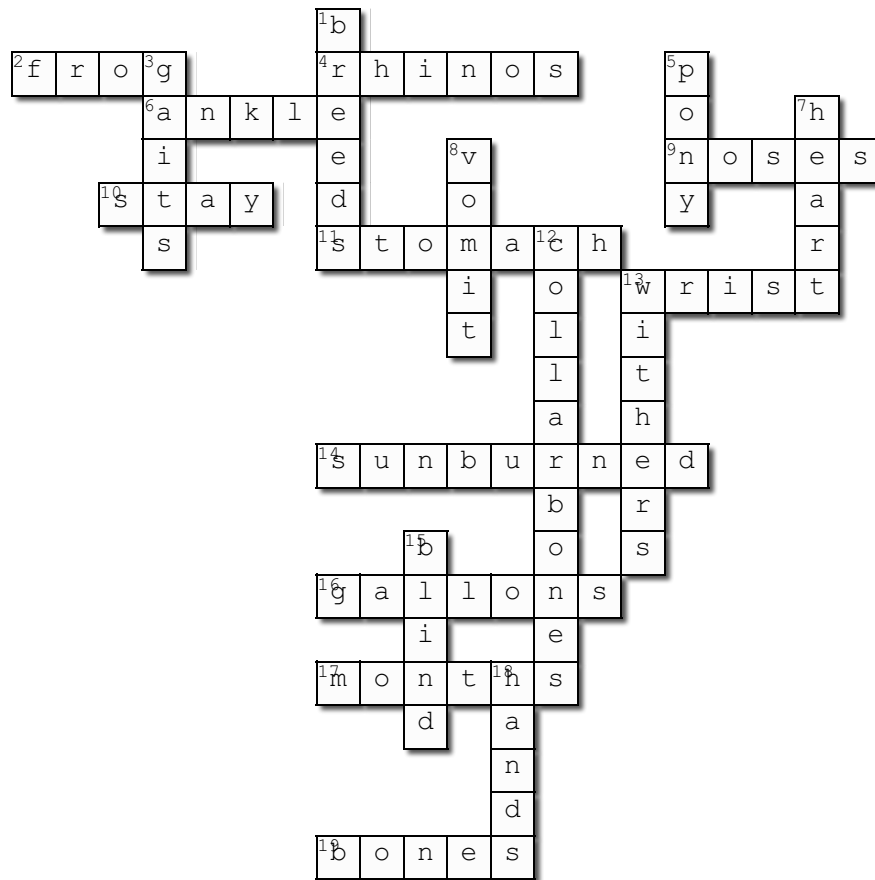


### Crossword Level 2 Answer Key



#### Across

2. The triangular shaped structure on the underside of a horse's hoof is called the **frog**. It acts as a shock absorber.
4. Horses are more closely related to **rhinos** than livestock species like cows, pigs and goats.
6. Anatomically, a horse's hock is the equivalent of a human's **ankle**.
9. Horses can only breathe through their **noses**. They can't breathe through their mouths.
10. The **stay** apparatus, a special locking mechanism in their legs, allows a horse to sleep standing up.
11. Compared to their size, horses have a relatively small **stomach**, so they spend a lot of time eating throughout the day.
13. Anatomically, a horse's knee is the equivalent of a human's **wrist**.
14. Light-colored horses can get **sunburned** and sometimes need to wear sunscreen.
16. Horses drink approximately 25 **gallons** of water each day.
17. Pregnancy in horses lasts approximately 11 **months**.
19. There are 205 **bones** in a horse's skeleton (an adult human has 206).

#### Down

1. There are many different types, or **breeds**, of horses; the most popular in the U.S. is the American Quarter Horse.
3. Horses are capable of different speeds called **gaits**.
5. A horse that is 14.2 hands or shorter is called a **pony**.
7. A horse's **heart** can weigh 9-10 pounds and is about the size of a basketball.
8. Horses can't **vomit**, so if they eat something they shouldn't, they can get sick.
12. Horses don't have **collarbones**, instead their shoulders are attached to their skeletons with muscles and ligaments.
13. A horse is measured from the bony point on their back, called the **withers**, to the ground.
15. Horses have two **blind spots**, one directly in front of them and one directly behind them.
18. A horse's height is measured in **hands**.