# TO THE LESS ANSWERS

These are the cues you give your pony, using your reins, legs, seat and voice, to let him know what you want him to do next.

#### **AIDS**



A key piece of tack that you'd struggle to ride without!

# **BRIDLE**



A three-beat pace where your pony always has at least one hoof on the ground.

# **CANTER**



If you're on the correct one of these, you rise out of the saddle as your pony's outside foreleg moves forward.

#### DIAGONAL



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A thrilling sport that combines dressage, showjumping and cross-country.

# **EVENTING**



A high-level move where a pony changes his leading leg while staying in canter.

# **FLYING CHANGE**



The different paces of a pony.

#### **GAITS**



A movement where you ask your pony to stand still.

#### HALT

The person who teaches you how to improve your riding skills.

# **INSTRUCTOR**



The person who scores your movements during a dressage test.

# JUDGE



A term sometimes used by instructors when they want you to squeeze your legs around your pony's sides to encourage him to move forward.

#### KICK

Another way to exercise your horse if don't have time to ride.

# **LUNGEING**



The phrase used for getting onboard vour pony.

# **MOUNTING**



When your pony refuses to move in the direction you want him to go in.

#### **NAPPING**



A type of showjump made up of two uprights close together.

#### OXER



A fun way to spice up a schooling session.

#### **POLEWORK**



Also known as travers, this is a lateral exercise where a pony's hindquarters are slightly off the track while his shoulders remain on it.

# **QUARTERS-IN**



A dressage movement where you ask your pony to step backwards.

# **REIN BACK**



A fun flatwork exercise where you ride three loops across the school.

# **SERPENTINE**



When you move from one pace to another.

# **TRANSITION**



Your pony might be this if you're riding hi

#### UNSOUND



An amazing sport where people do gymnastics on board a horse while he canters around on the lunge.

# **VAULTING**



A slow, four-beat gait.

# WALK



A shorthand term for cross-country!

#### XC



A lateral move where your pony goes sideways and forwards at the same time.

# **LEG-YIELD**



This dressage move is tricky, and it's where you ride two or more half passes in a row.

#### **ZIG-ZAG**



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