

# SHOW JUMPING SOLUTIONS

Take our quiz to find out if you can solve all of Jake's showjumping probs!



**1** Jake's horse, Cooper, tends to run out to the left. What could Jake do to fix this?

- A Only approach on the right rein
- B Aim towards the right-hand side of the jump so he doesn't have the chance to go left
- C Place a guide pole on the left-hand side and use more left leg to keep Cooper's body straight

**2** Jake is struggling to hit the perfect stride when he's riding towards his warm-up fence. What can he do to fix this?

- A Position a placing pole on the ground approximately 3m in front of the fence
- B Place two poles on the ground to create a channel into the jump
- C Position a placing pole on the ground approximately 3m after the fence

**3** Cooper can be spooky when jumping over fillers. How can Jake help build his confidence?

- A Jump as many different fillers as possible!
- B Use extra leg when approaching fillers to encourage him
- C Introduce the fillers slowly, keeping them far apart and riding between them to start with

**4** What can Jake use to improve Cooper's agility and athleticism?

- A V-poles on a fence
- B Gridwork and bounces
- C Fences in a figure-of-eight pattern

**5** Cooper keeps knocking poles with his front legs. What can Jake use to encourage him to neatly bascule over a jump?

- A V-poles
- B Bounces
- C Combinations

**6** Jake's leg sometimes swings back over a fence. What can he do to improve his jumping position?

- A Jump every day of the week to get lots of practice
- B Do exercises out of the saddle to improve his strength
- C Have a go at jumping without stirrups

**7** Cooper has started running out and refusing in jumping sessions, which is really unlike him. What should Jake do?

- A Try a different jumping exercise
- B Ask his instructor to ride Cooper and book in more lessons
- C Speak to his vet to get Cooper checked over as it might be a sign of pain

**8** Cooper sometimes drifts towards the gate after a fence. What can Jake do to prevent him from doing this?

- A Use more outside leg and close his outside rein towards Cooper's wither to channel him straight after the fence
- B Pull on the inside rein on landing to make him look away from the gate
- C Get a friend to stand at the gate and scare him away from it

## HOW DID YOU GET ON?

### 0-3 POINTS

Uh oh! It looks like you need to brush up on your jumping know-how. Don't worry, there's plenty you can do – start by listening carefully to your instructor's advice when things go wrong and you'll learn loads!

### 4-6 POINTS

Good effort! You have great general knowledge when it comes to solving showjumping problems, but there's a little more you can do to get top marks. Why not re-read some PONY mags for extra tips?

### 7-8 POINTS

You smashed it, well done! You clearly love showjumping and have taken on board all the advice you've received when solving your showjumping problems!

I SCORED...  /8

