

For Teachers: Please have the students read the sentences one at a time and correct their pronunciation of each sentence then have them repeat after you. Wait until after they read the sentence (use the number in place of the missing word) to have the students choose the correct answer to fill in the blank. When the students finish the article, move on to the further questions.

3[A] – Horses of the Desert



AP1E 11-1

- There is no mistaking an Arabian horse. The broad forehead and arched neck distinguish this breed, which is famous for its speed and endurance. The history of this horse goes back millennia, to when Bedouin desert tribesmen began domesticating and breeding wild horses. The Bedouin rode the ancestors of today's Arabians in raids against other tribes to steal camels and other livestock. Since the attacks generally took place a long way from home, the Bedouin made sure that only the fastest and strongest horses reproduced. A horse's family history was traced through the mare, or female horse, that gave birth to it. When Bedouin traders passed on oral histories of exceptional horses, they included the courageous deeds of the mares in their ancestry.

Further Questions&A

*Ask student to answer the question on their own at first. If the student can't answer correctly, have him look at the last page and read the "example answer" for the question. Have the student try to memorize the answer, if it's too long or difficult, you should divide the sentence into 2 or 3 parts to make it easier to remember. Once they have memorized the answer, the teacher should ask the question one last time so that the student can practice answering. Also if you find any mistakes, please mark the page and let me know ASAP.

- 1) What is the Arabian horse famous for? アラビア馬は何で有名ですか。
- 2) How did the Bedouin use the Arabian horses? Bedouinはアラビア馬をどの様に使いましたか。
- They rode the ancestors of today's Arabians in raids against other tribes to steal camels and other livestock.
- The Turks eventually conquered Bedouin lands, and began sending Arabian horses as gifts to European leaders around the 1500s. The breed later achieved lasting fame after British diplomat Thomas Darley bought a male Arabian horse in Syria in 1702. This horse, which became known as the Darley Arabian, was taken back to England and bred with English mares. The resulting breed, the Thoroughbred, is now the most valuable type of racehorse in the world. According to genetic analysis, the Darley Arabian is the forefather of 95 percent of today's Thoroughbreds.

Further Questions&A 

11. **3) What happened after the Turks conquered Bedouin land?**
12. トルコ人が Bedouin の土地を征服した後に何が起きましたか。
13. *They began sending Arabian horses as gifts to European leaders around the 1500s.*
14. **4) How did the breed become famous?** その品種はどのように有名になりましたか。
15. *They became famous after Thomas Darley bought a male Arabian horse and took it back to England and bred it with English mares.*
16. **5) What percentage of Thoroughbred horses are descended from Darley's Arabian?** サラブレッド馬の何%が Darley のアラビア馬の子孫になりますか。
17. *The Darley Arabian is the forefather of 95 percent of today's Thoroughbreds.*

18. Today, pure Arabian horses are in high demand, often as status symbols for the wealthy but also for recreational riding and show jumping. The emphasis on each horse having a documented bloodline, however, means that breeding stock is limited, which has led to a number of genetic diseases. Some Arabians are born without an immune system, so they die quickly from infections. As well as working to developing genetic tests for such abnormalities, scientists are trying to identify genes for positive characteristics in the hopes of breeding even faster and stronger Arabians.

Further Questions&A 

21. **6) How are Arabian horses used today?** アラビア馬は今日どのように使われていますか。
22. *They are often status symbols for the wealthy, but also for recreational riding and show jumping.*
23. **7) What is an example of a genetic disease Arabian horses are known to have?**
24. アラビア馬が持っている知られている遺伝学的な病気の一例は何ですか。
25. *Some Arabian horses are born without an immune system so they die quickly from infections.*
26. **8) What do scientists hope to accomplish by identifying genes for positive characteristics?**
27. 遺伝子をポジティブな特徴として認めることによって科学者達は何を達成することを望んでいますか。
28. *They hope to breed even faster and stronger Arabians.*

*Choose the correct answer from these choices. 

29. **(32) Why were the Bedouins' horses so important to them?**
30. Bedouin の馬達は彼らにとってとても重要なものはなぜですか。
31. **1. The Bedouin were able to travel great distances to settle new lands because of their horse's endurance.**

- 32.2. The horses provided the Bedouin with a method of quickly transporting goods to be traded with other tribes.
- 33.3. The Bedouin could sell their horses for high prices, which allowed them to purchase livestock.
- 34.4. The horses gave the Bedouin the ability to attack other tribes in order to capture their animals.
- 35.(33) Thomas Darley's purchase of a male Arabian horse in 1702
- 36.1702年の Thomas Darley の雄のアラビア馬の購入は…
- 37.1. marked the beginning of trade in Arabian horses between Turkish merchants and European horse breeders .
- 38.2. caused controversy, as some breeders in England claimed the horse was not a pure Arabian.
- 39.3. led to the creation of a breed of horse that became highly prized for its ability to compete in races.
- 40.4. angered Syria, as Darley failed to make clear he intended to use the horse for breeding.
- 41.(34) What does the author of the passage say about Arabian horses breeding today?
- 42.1. The expense of genetic tests used to determine the horses' health means breeders rarely make a profit .
- 43.2. The importance placed on the family history of the horses has resulted in negative health consequences.
- 44.3. The limited breeding stock means there are no longer enough horses available for recreational riding.
- 45.4. The horses' weak immune system means they cannot be kept with other horse breeds for fear of infection.

46. Review Questions 

- 47.1) What is the Arabian horse famous for?
48. *It is famous for its speed and endurance.*
- 49.2) How did the Bedouin use the Arabian horses?
50. *They rode the ancestors of today's Arabians in raids against other tribes to steal camels and other livestock.*

51. 3) What happened after the Turks conquered Bedouin land?
52. *They began sending Arabian horses as gifts to European leaders around the 1500s.*
53. 4) How did the breed become famous?
54. *They became famous after Thomas Darley bought a male Arabian horse and took it back to England and ^{繁殖 (はんしよく) させた} bred ^{雌馬 (めうま)} it with English mares .*
55. 5) What percentage of Thoroughbred horses are descended from Darley's Arabian?
- The Darley Arabian is the ^{父祖 (ふそ)} forefather of 95 percent of today's Thoroughbreds.*
56. 6) How are Arabian horses used today?
57. *They are often status symbols for the wealthy, but also for ^{気晴 (きば) らしの} recreational riding and show jumping.*
58. 7) What is an example of a genetic disease Arabian horses are known to have?
59. *Some Arabian horses are born without an ^{免疫機構 (めんえききこう)} immune system so they die quickly from infections.*
60. 8) What do scientists hope to accomplish by identifying genes for positive characteristics?
61. *They hope to breed even faster and stronger Arabians.*

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