

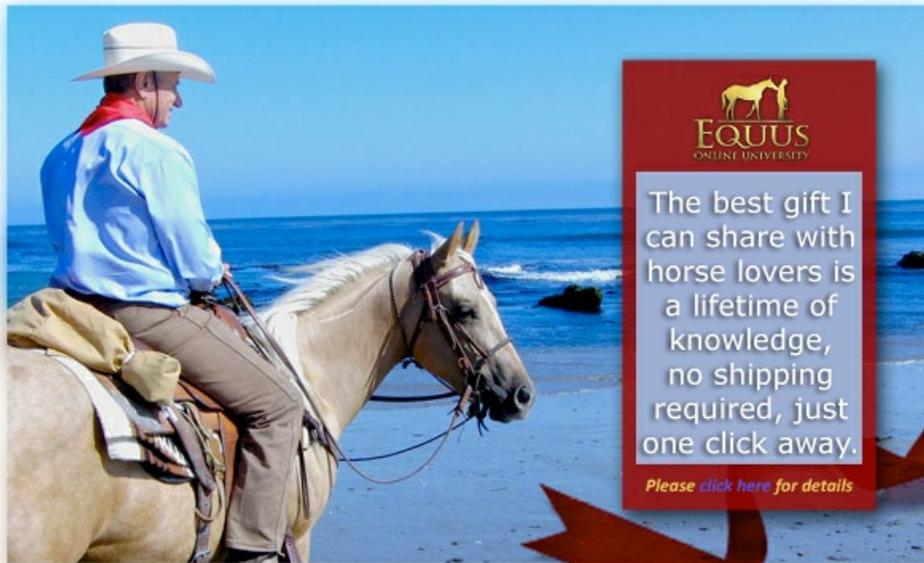


# ASK MONTY

December 24, 2013

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## Monty's Principles

Greetings Monty, I don't know if this message will ever get to you, but I want to write it anyway.

My name is Fernanda, I'm a Brazilian girl and I am 23 years old. The reason for this message is that I just finished reading your book "[The Man Who Listen Horses](#)" and it changed my life.

Let me tell a little about me. I always have been in love with horses, since I can remember, since I was born, but I lived in the city, so I never had the chance to be around horses. My parents knew about my passion, but my mom never cared about that much, and there's nothing what my dad could do.

I had a happy childhood, but something was always missing. When I was around 8 or 9 years old, my dad gave a horse for me and one for my older sister, she doesn't like horses, or wild life, but as my parents were separated and only had the weekend to see him, he gave a horse for her too, so she didn't feel left out.

It was the happiest day of my life, I had my own horse, just for me! He was amazing, he was caramel and had 4 black socks, he was the sweetest horse ever, his name was Trovão. (Thunder)

I only had about 2 days in a month to ride

## QUESTION AND ANSWER

### Question:

Good afternoon from the Falkland Islands, I was wondering if you still have to do join up when the foal is already very friendly and attached to you. I tried with my 15 month old who just stood there looking at me when i tried to get him to run around the coral. Nothing I did got him going, I went from smacking the lead across my boots, waterproof coat and on the bucket to whooping at him and still he just stood there. Only when I turned my back to walk off did he follow me! Your feedback would be much appreciated as I do not want to muck up a lovely horse and I have re watched your videos many times, and tried to mimic your movements, but still he will just stand there looking at me like i am a fool, which I must look like to him!

### Monty's Answer:

If a few plastic shopping bags attached to a 2 meter pole will not cause the horse to leave you, don't go any further than that. If your youngster follows you when you walk away you have a form of Join-Up however, it is without the desired communication. I do not suggest any more aggressive actions than the bags. I do not want to muck up your young horse either.

What we must do however is consider all of the rearing procedures of this individual. If he was treated as a member of the family, using anthropomorphic concepts then it's possible you have the closest thing to an orphan on your hands. I consider an over-humanized young horse to be a far greater challenge for the future than the wildest you can come up with.

Don't hesitate to communicate again so that I can be better advised regarding the early life of this individual.

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him, when the owner of the stables they were was present, otherwise we could not go in there. Anyway, about a year later we moved out, and it was impossible to take the horses with us, so I had to say goodbye to my friend :( My next opportunity to get back with my passion happened when I was 15 years old, my godfather's granddaughter ask me if I wanted to spend 2 weeks on his farm, of course I went and it was amazing, 2 weeks walking around with horses all day.

We get along so amazingly that I started going 2 times a year to her farm, and we passed it 2 weeks, and was the best time of my life, but nothing last forever, when i was 19 they had a financial problem and had to sell the farm. So there I was again, with no opportunity to get around horses. I went to veterinary medicine college, so I was close to follow my dream, that is to work with horses, as long as I can.

But unfortunately I had a familiar problem and had to quit college. I don't have coexistence with horses since the age 19, when they sold the farm, and that's make me really really sad, it's like live without a piece of my heart, my soul.

My family never had too much money to pay me horseback riding lessons or anything like that. In November of this year i found it that it will be possible i return to college, to my veterinary medicine, which makes me really happy. But you know, I don't wanna be a doctor per se, I want to have my own stable, and raise my horses and live with them and work...just like you do.

I wish I could wake up and feel the smell of the horses, hear their sound, and know that the rest of the day, for the rest of my life I will be living with them every day, that's what I want.

I just read your book and it changed my life, it gave to me inspiration and desire to work with horses and do what I can to improve their quality of life, that was the motivation that I needed to pursue my dream.

So I want to thank you, for this amazing life and for sharing with us, it really made all the diference in my life.

As i said I don't have much money, but I'll work and save enough to go to California

and met your farm, and if i was lucky enough even know you and take one of your courses.

Sorry for this email, I don't even know if you're gonna read it, and sorry for the grammar errors but I really feel that I should write this.

Thanks for make me feel alive again, thanks for change my life.

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With all my respect, affection and admiration, Fernanda Mosca

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January 26, 2014	Life Lessons: A Personal Development Workshop at Flag Is Up Farms See more at: <a href="http://www.montyroberts.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/Life-Lessons-web.pdf">http://www.montyroberts.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/Life-Lessons-web.pdf</a>	USA
March 15, 2014	<a href="#">The Hand Equestrian Centre Davis Lane, Clevedon, N. Somerset BS21 6TG</a>	UK
March 21, 2014	<a href="#">Norton Heath Equestrian Centre Limited, Fingrith Hall Lane, Blackmore, Essex, CM4 0JP</a>	UK
March 29, 2014	<a href="#">Royal Leisure Centre, Horn Lane, Henfield, West Sussex, BN5 9SA</a>	UK
April 4, 2014	<a href="#">Pferdezentrum Schloss Wickrath</a> , Mönchengladbach	DE
April 6, 2014	<a href="#">Landgestüt Zweibrücken</a>	DE
April 8, 2014	<a href="#">Reitsportzentrum Hohenzollern</a> , Bisingen	DE
April 11, 2014	<a href="#">Reitverein Bayer Leverkusen</a>	DE
April 13, 2014	<a href="#">Gestüt Tannenhof</a> , Heidenrod-Watzelhain (bei Wiesbaden)	DE



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## MONTY'S CHALLENGE

I have two very young colts - only 8 months old. What should my expectations be at this age? They

I have two very young colts - only 8 months old. What should my expectations be at this age? They are being handled, can touch them all over, lead them, working with picking their hoofs for Ferrier, put ropes on/over them, working on having them get used to a tarp and the noise, have put blankets on/off them.

Have been introducing them to new things weekly- traffic, noises, tractors, balls, walking them on the road, woods, etc. One concern I have is how attached the colts are to each other. Hard to take one out without the other - they are co-dependent on each other. I would like to raise a nice quarter horse

using your gentle methods but would love some ideas to try but don't want to expect too much too soon. Do you have any suggestions or helpful hints?

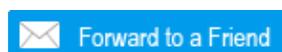
I also have older horses but do to the size of the colts I have not put them in with the older horses yet. They can see and touch the other horses through the fence line but have only introduced a very gentle older gelding to them. I don't want them to get kicked or hurt since they are so small still.

Peggy Pierce

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