



Wednesday October 22, 2014

Greetings!

Can you do Join-Up with a mini? Monty's dog, Monk, thinks so! Read more about it in Monty's Question and Answer Column below.



## MONTY ANSWERS

### Question:

Hello Monty,

My daughter has just brought home a miniature horse, he is 10 months old and is already gelded. I thought it would be a good idea for her to learn your methods and this may seem like a silly question but I was wondering if everything with the Join-Up and Follow-Up are the same with miniature horses as it is with larger horses? I ask this because they are so small so you feel as though you are standing above them.

Regards,

Cassie

### Answer:

Dear Cassie,

It is not very often that I get a question about minis. I am pleased to answer this question because the minis are simply horses that are small. Their personalities, their fears and their behavioral patterns are exactly the same as their larger relatives. It is my opinion that they do not even realize that they are so small. They will respond to the language Equus in the same way that larger horses do. The problem often is that people anthropomorphize their existence as if they were human. By the time we try to train them we have often destroyed their unique characteristics as Equus the flight animal. I am pleased to have the opportunity to address these aspects of the horse world. It is only fair that we learn to respect their position in the species Equus.

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## Monty's Principles

### There's No One Like You, Monty!

Watching Jack Hanna this AM, with Monty training a horse, brought back the time my husband and I went to Lexington, Va. horse center to see Monty and a personal time with a group of horse lovers. I had Monty sign my book and bought a sweatshirt, that I still have and wear. As far as I am concern, Monty is the Best when it comes to training. I have used all his methods and they WORK. I still use them today. I have my VHS's that I still watch. I have 2 leopard appaloosas and a half QH and TB, her name is Flicka, and looks just like the old Flicka in the movie, which I have.

My Lep. App. mare is coraleeappalucy. Choco nugget Bar is her son, all white with nugget spots all over his body, he's my boy. Monty has taught me so much about horses and their way. I've always

wanted to come to your farm and learn more, but being in Va. is probably not going to happen. Being there a week would be my bucket list dream come true. Tell Monty to take care of himself, because there is NO ONE like him...God Bless...  
Best wishes from the Shenandoah Valley.  
Sherry Uram

## Monty's Challenge



Sincerely,

Monty



Test yourself each week as I challenge you to answer the question below. I mean this. Sit down and write an answer. Don't wait for my answer next week. If you have been reading my Weekly Questions and Answers for the last six months, you should be in a position to do this. Send your answer to my team at: askmonty@montyroberts.com

Why should you bother? Because it will help you focus. There is probably a comparable question in your life that needs answering - or will be. If you can gain insight into how to go about answering a practical question that is loosely related to your problem, this exercise will help you answer your nagging question. Then read my answer. I want all of my students to learn to be better trainers than me. That's good for you and good for horses!

~ Monty

**Next Week's Question:**

My sister Jane has bought a pony in July - 8 year old 13hh gelding (beautiful show hunter pony) known as MOUSE.

He is a lovely mannerly pony when ridden & well schooled.

HOWEVER, has seriously nasty habit of biting when in the stable, tied up or loose. Grooming is becoming a hazard for us. He is also very nervous when eating and walks the box and lunges at the stable door, biting anyone passing, showing his teeth etc and kicks the stable partition etc if any per-sons are in the stable next door whilst he is eating.

He has a split personality - outside is gentle and easy to ride but still bites on occasion, but in the stable he is nasty, we cannot let the children go near him. Previous owners said he preferred to be outside. This nasty personality has just got progressively worse as the weeks have gone on since Mouse arrived with us in Scotland.

He was bought for my 9 year old niece who is riding him nicely and getting used to him. BUT she is becoming nervous of Mouse, having seen him be vicious and take a chunk out of her Mum's arm last night, was the last straw. It has happened once to often now & if it had been a child's arm it would have been devastating...

Any advice or help would be appreciated - as said we live in Scotland and would be grateful if you knew of any training or people that may help.

We do not want him to bite one of the children & if we cannot retrain or sort this out this beautiful pony may have to be put to sleep.

Please help.

**THIS WEEK IN MONTY'S EQUUS ONLINE UNI**



What's the latest training protocol in Monty's tool kit? He calls it, 'reward and reverse'. Find out more in this week's video lesson on [Equus Online University!](#)



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November 8, 2014	<a href="#">Hessisches Landgestüt</a> , Dillenburg	DE
November 15, 2014	<a href="#">Gestüt Tannenhof</a> , Heidenrod-Watzelhain (bei Wiesbaden)	DE
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Thank you, pending your reply/  
Donna Jane Tammy & Irene & Family



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**Monty Roberts**



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