

The Grooming Kit – Label the items and fill in the blanks.



Start grooming your pony by tying him up somewhere safe. It is better to be outside in the fresh air because of the dust in your pony's coat. Have all your grooming kit ready.

First, clean out your pony's feet using a _____.

Sweep up any mess so he doesn't stand in it again!



If he is muddy, remove the worst of the dirt with a _____.



Be careful not to use stiff brushes on any sensitive areas like his face or inside his back legs. Some ponies are very ticklish, so be gentle until you know the parts he is happy for you to brush hard.

If he is losing his winter coat, a good scrub with a _____ will help to remove any dead hair.



Be gentle until you are sure he is happy with the idea.

Always start at his poll and work backwards and down brushing in the direction his coat lies.

To get a nice shine on him (as long as he doesn't need oil in his coat for protection because he lives out) you can use a _____ all over, including his face.



Keep cleaning the grease from the body brush with the _____ as you go.

Tidy his mane, using a _____ and brush the knots carefully out of his tail using a _____.



This may be hard work, but if your pony has a very fine tail, using a dandy brush or a plastic curry comb or even the mane comb, can break the hairs and soon he won't have any tail left!

If you need to dampen the mane and tail, use a _____ to get the hairs to lie flat.



Finally, clean any mess from round his eyes, nostrils and dock using a separate _____ for each area.

It is best to have them of different _____, so you do not get them mixed up.



He will not enjoy having his eyes or nostrils cleaned with the one you have used for under his tail!