

## Donkey Project!

Jump right in to the world of the donkey with this fun multi-subject project!

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### Sketch a donkey



Find a donkey you would like to draw.

Using a pencil make a sketch.

If you find the body hard to draw you could just draw the head and neck.

Don't forget to ask the  
Donkey Sanctuary staff  
questions too!

### Maths Counting 1, 2, 3

There are lots of donkeys!

e.g. How many donkeys are there?

Are there a greater number of grey or brown?

Counting, measuring, comparing and asking questions too.



### Parts of a Donkey!

Can you identify the donkey parts?

Can you show you understand and can use all the correct terms to describe them?



Sketch a donkey

Choose a donkey to draw



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## Questions

What is your donkey called?

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Does it have a cross on its back?

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Think of 3 words to describe your donkey.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_





## Counting 1, 2, 3, ...

How many donkeys are in the **yard**? \_\_\_\_\_

How many donkeys are in the **main paddock**? \_\_\_\_\_



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How many **dark brown** donkeys can you find? \_\_\_\_\_

How many **white** donkeys can you find? \_\_\_\_\_

**Measure the paddock by counting the posts.**

Are there **fewer** white or fewer dark donkeys?

How many posts along the **longest side**? \_\_\_\_\_

How many posts along the **shortest side**? \_\_\_\_\_

Create your own number sentence about the donkeys:




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## Parts of a donkey

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*Write these words in the correct places:*

back  
hoof  
muzzle  
mane

ribs  
cross  
hind quarters

shoulders  
ear





On the next few pages, you will find activities to complete back at school!

You may be able to choose activities or your teacher may decide which you will do.

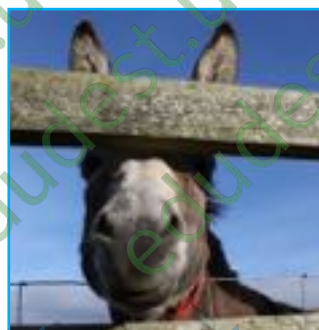
**First, work in pairs to make notes below about what you now know about donkeys!**

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## Life cycle of a donkey



1. **Cut** out the pictures
2. **Match** the captions to the pictures
3. **Arrange** in order.
4. **Stick** them into your book.

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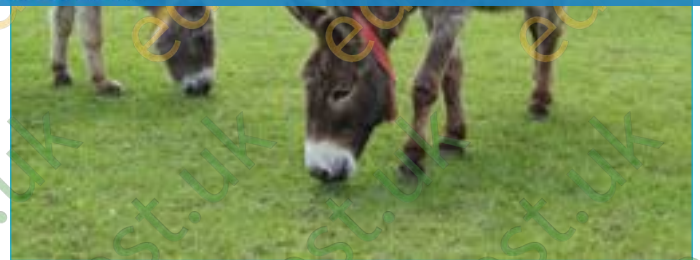
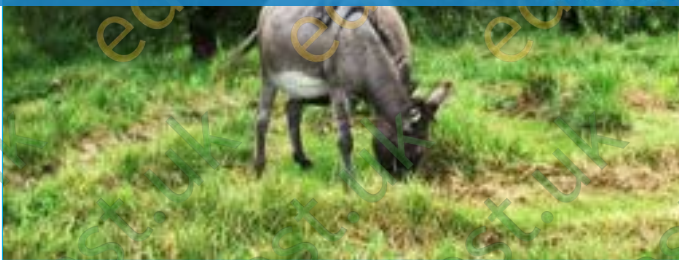


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A female donkey is pregnant for about 12 months

The young donkey will then go in search of a playmate and live in a herd.

Adult donkeys become great friends. A male is called a jack and a female is called a jenny.

A baby donkey will stay with its mum for 6 months while it feeds on its mum's milk. Then it will be weaned onto solid food.

Donkeys can live for up to 40 years

### Keywords

young, adult, female, male, jenny, jack, pregnant, 12 months, weaned, herd, solid, playmate, foal



## Donkey History! How were donkeys used in the past on the Isle of Wight?



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How can you tell that these photographs are old?

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Percy Smith is in the top picture. What do you think he is delivering?

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Can you see the milk churn?

Aunt Jane has been doing the washing for her neighbours. In this picture she is bringing it back.

Why do you think Aunt Jane and Percy Smith are using a donkey and cart?

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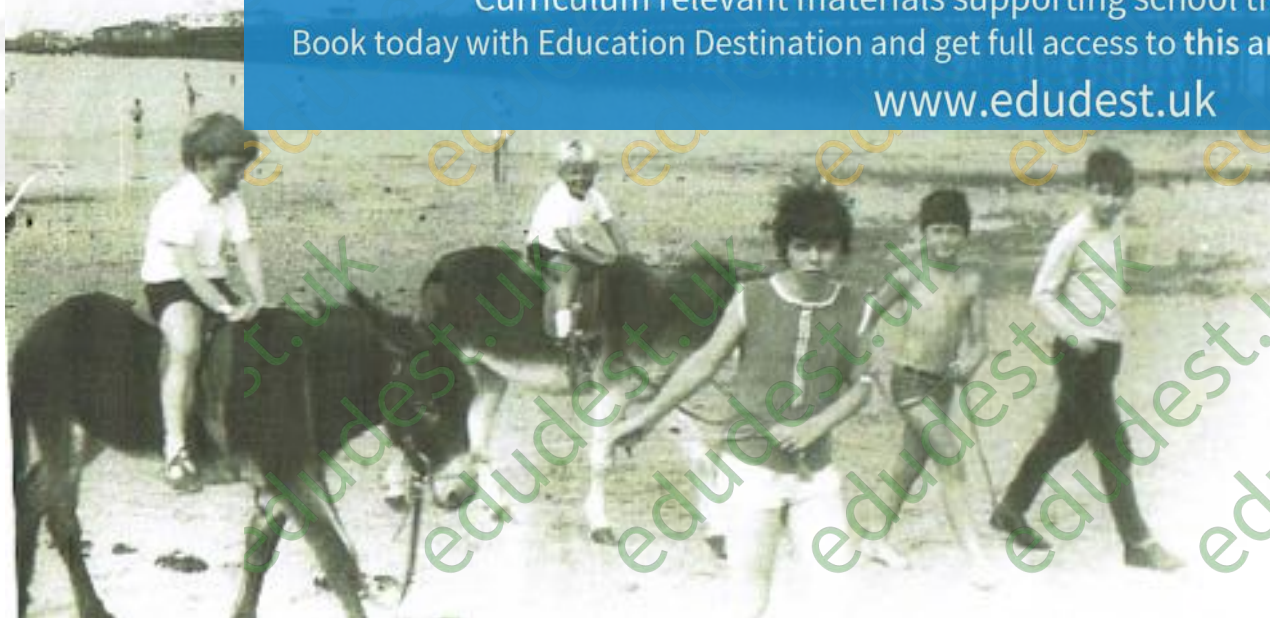
List the things you see in this photograph.

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Do you think this photograph is a modern day photo or is it quite old? How can you tell?





## Donkeys around the World

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Donkeys are very strong and are used to carry heavy loads. They can carry 2x the weight of their own body. Write a sentence to go with each of these pictures. These words may help you:

donkey

carrying

pulling

sacks

heavy

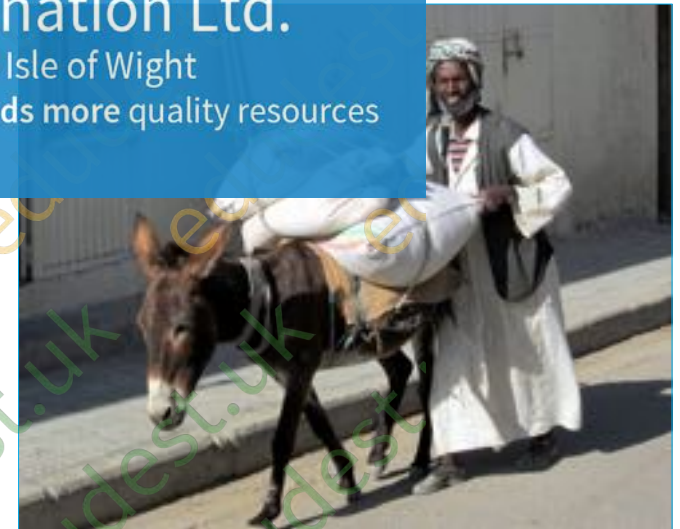
hay

cart

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## Donkey Writing!

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Remember your visit to the Donkey Sanctuary?

You are going to write a letter to the staff.

- ✓ They will want to know what you enjoyed about your visit.
- ✓ Think of 3 things that you enjoyed.
- ✓ Tell them about these three things in your letter.

Write your address here:

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Dear Mr Needham



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