

WORLD DONKEY DAY- Did you know?

Discuss the following facts with your learners and ask them the accompanying suggested questions.



Donkeys are able to remember places they've been to before, and recognise donkey friends they haven't seen for 25 years.



Donkeys are safety-conscious. If they fear a situation might be dangerous, they do their very best to stay away from it. This is often mistaken for stubbornness when, really, they're just careful and cautious.



Like humans and primates, donkeys love to clean and groom each other.



Donkeys will refuse to drink water if they deem it too dirty.



If someone they love is moved or taken away from them, they become extremely upset. They're social animals who get lonely when they're by themselves because of the deep bonds they form with their friends and family.



Donkeys have big ears so they can hear each other from long distances. They communicate by braying, grunting, squealing, whiffling, snorting, and even growling.



A donkey is stronger than a horse of the same size.

Suggested questions for discussion:

1. What have you learned about donkeys' abilities?
2. What have you learned about donkeys' ability to feel?
3. Has your view of donkeys changed?
4. What would you like to do to help donkeys?
5. How can we ensure that donkeys' welfare needs are met?