

Cowboy Terminology

Bandanna — Brand — Branding iron
Broncobusters — Bunkhouse — Cattle — Chaps
Chuck wagon — Cinch — Cowboy

Bandanna	cloth tied around the neck that was pulled up to cover the nose and keep dust out
Brand	the mark put on cattle to show which ranch they belonged to; every brand was different
Branding iron	iron used to mark cattle to show which ranch they belonged to
Broncobusters	cowboys who were especially good at training wild horses to be working horses
Bunkhouse	building on large ranches where cowboys slept when they weren't working
Cattle	high part that stuck up from the top of the back of a saddle
Chaps	type of leather covering cowboys wore over their trousers that protected their legs from brush and cactus plants
Chuck wagon	large covered wagon used in the past on trail drives to carry food, drinking water, and other items
Cinch	wide leather strap attached to a saddle that went around the belly of a horse to hold the saddle in place
Cowboy	person hired to herd and care for cattle and horses that belonged to someone else

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Drag — Duster — Flank — Horn
Leather gloves — Line riders — Longhorns

Cowboy boots	boots with tapered heels and toes that kept the feet from slipping through or catching on stirrups
Cowboy hat	hat with wide brim that kept weather from the face and a deep crown that kept the head cool
Cutting horse	horse trained and used to ride around the cattle in a herd and remove certain animals
Drag	position ridden on a trail drive behind the herd
Duster	cowboy's long coat that was made from canvas or linen that protected them from dust and wind
Flank	position ridden on a trail drive that was to the side of the herd
Horn	rounded mass that stuck up from the top of the front of a saddle
Leather gloves	type of gloves worn to protect against rope burns
Line riders	cowboys who worked on the outer boundaries of a ranch, watched the cattle, and guarded against cattle rustlers
Longhorns	cattle named for their horns which reached an average of 4 feet (1.2 meters) across

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Open range — Point — Rodeo
Rowels — Saddle — Slicker — Spurs
Trail boss — Trail drive — Wrangler

Open range	open areas of land without fences where cattle were allowed to graze
Point	position ridden on a trail drive ahead of the herd
Rodeo	competition between cowboys to determine the best rider and roper
Rowels	small wheels that had spikes and were attached to the back of spurs; used to guide a horse
Saddle	a padded seat for riding that attached to an animal; often covered with leather
Slicker	cowboy's raincoat made from oilskin
Spurs	attached to the heels of boots to help control a horse
Trail boss	an employee of several ranches who hired cowboys to help on trail drives
Trail drive	herding cattle from the ranches to railway stations for shipment
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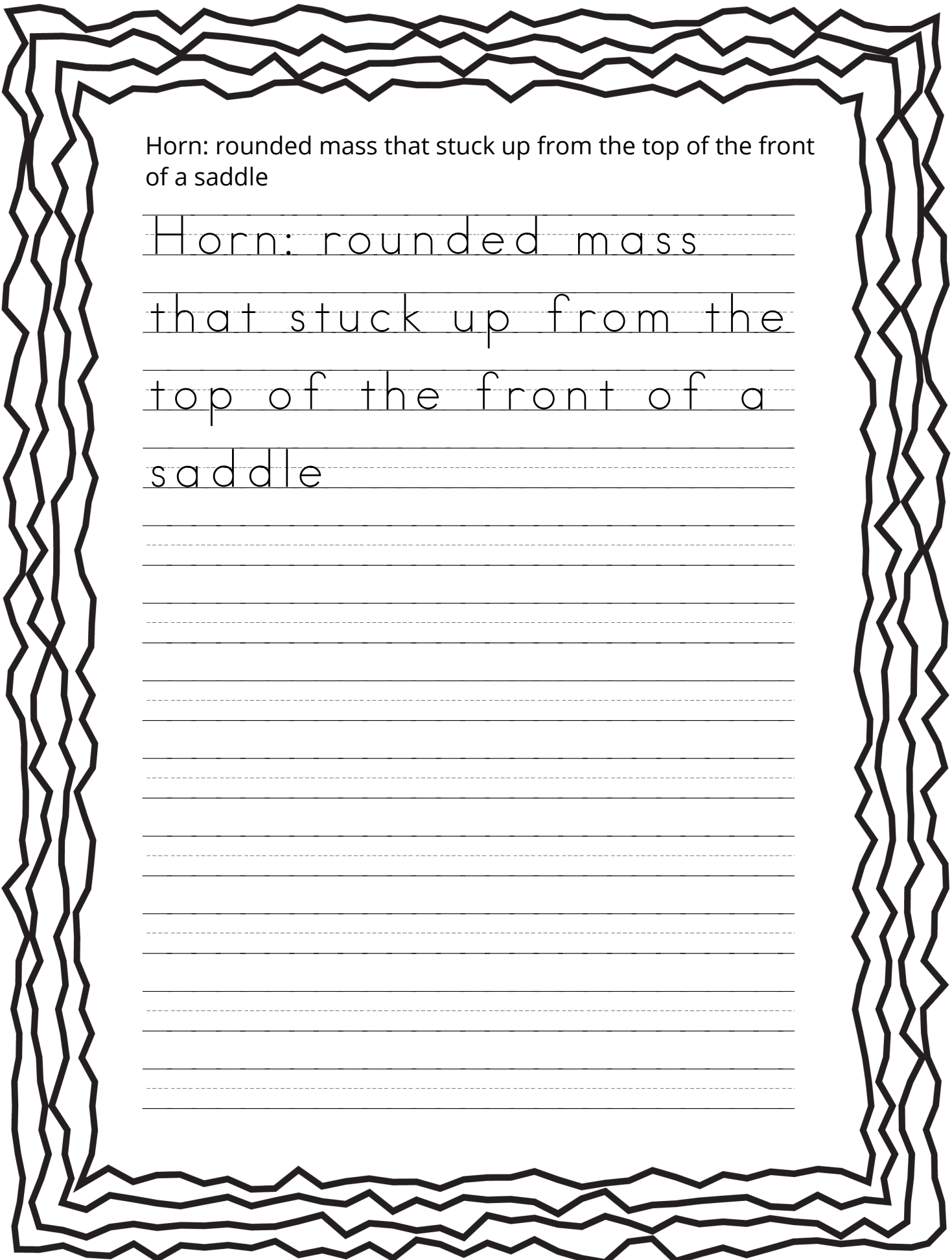
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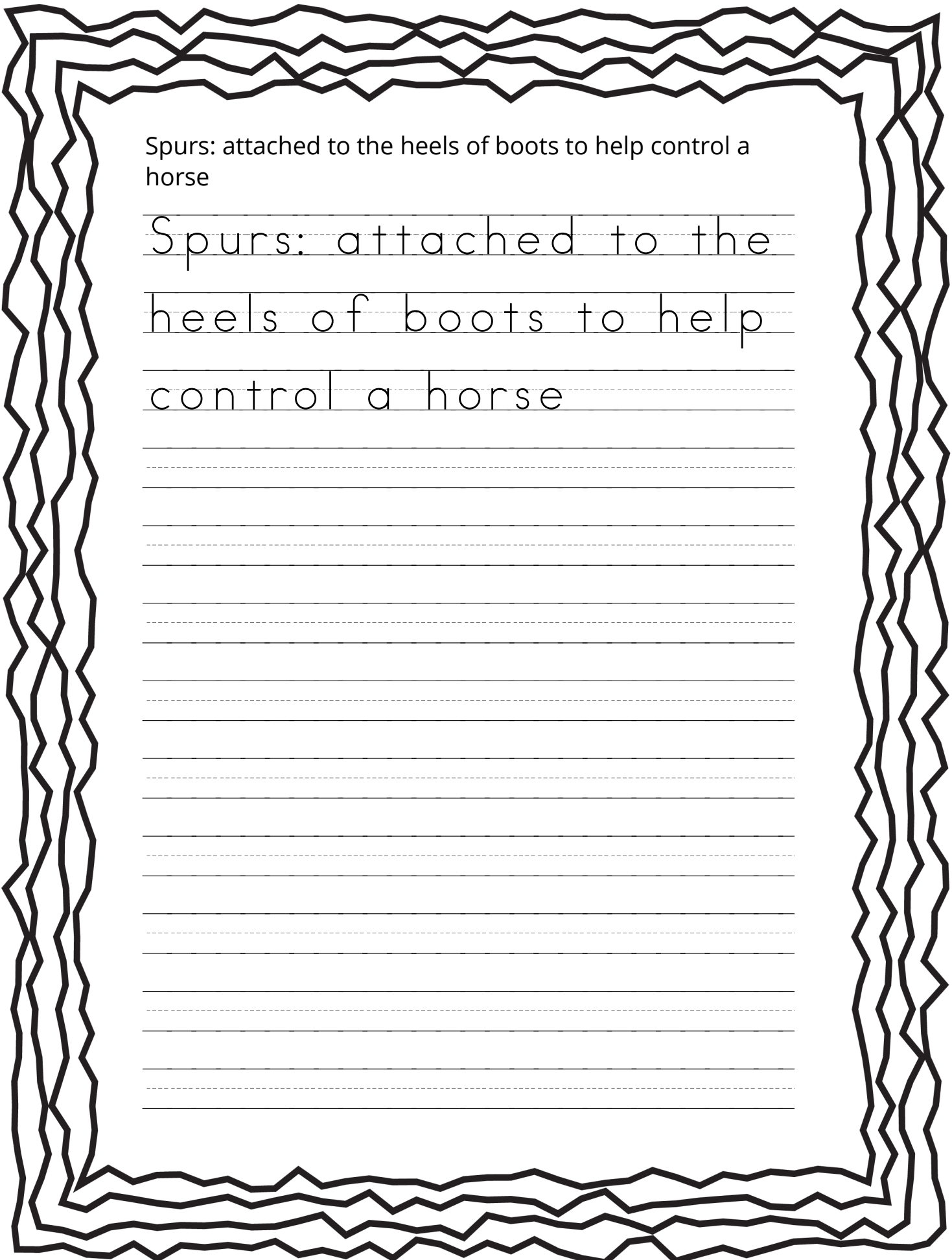
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