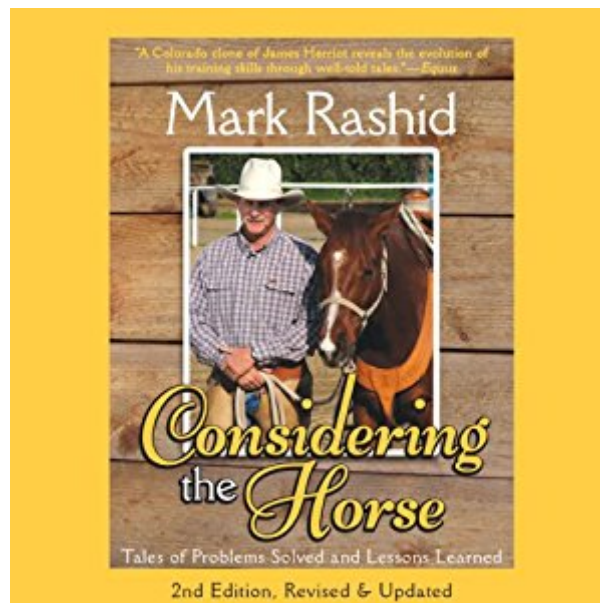




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# Considering The Horse: Tales Of Problems Solved And Lessons Learned



## Synopsis

Own an unruly horse? Thinking about purchasing a horse but don't exactly know what to expect once you do? Ever wondered what and how a horse thinks? Mark Rashid tells stories that provide horse owners and potential buyers with the best training solutions - straight from the horse's mouth. By considering the horse's point of view, he explores a variety of solutions to common training problem like head tossing, trailer loading, mounting problems, and more. After years of training and teaching, Rashid assures you that you don't need to sell that rebellious horse of yours, and there's no need to panic if you just bought a horse with a problem and don't know what to do. More likely than not, the answers are here for you.

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## Customer Reviews

The first book by Mark Rashid that I read was WHOLE HEART, WHOLE HORSE. I couldn't put it down and ordered 6 more to give out to my Ladies riding group. I have since ordered 5 other books and intend to complete my Rashid library by owning all of them. They are all different and seem to speak to the reader as if Mark has been working with you and your horse personally. These books are the most helpful of all of the horsemanship books I have, and I have a lot! Thank you, Mark. I really need to get to a clinic, if only as an auditor.

This book was recommended to me by a fellow horse owner who said it was helpful in solving many different types of horse problems. I got the "rewritten" or edited version and was disappointed. In this version of the book, the author has commented on each chapter and most often says that he no

longer recommends or uses whatever solution his younger self mentioned in the chapter but does not offer a different, better solution. I struggle to understand the purpose of the updated version of this book, especially since the author admits that even he doesn't really like it. Mark Rashid comes off as arrogant and very few ideas for solving horse problems are offered.

Great insight for helping a "damaged" horse. I have a very spunky Paso Fino gelding with behavioral and trust issues. Traditional approaches do not work with him. Mark Rashid's viewpoint into what the horse may be thinking is very helpful. It has helped me to question, "Why isn't this working?" Most people have one specific method of handling the horse and will not waiver even if it's not working. Mark encourages the owner to rethink the method and try another approach. Repeatedly if necessary. It's not failure if the first method doesn't work. That's a refreshing viewpoint.

I'm a new horse owner who has become addicted to Mark Rashid's books in general. If you want to understand your horse better, and how to better understand and improve your partnership, then here is a great collection for your growing equine library. I enjoy his story format, vs. a clinical explanation, it somehow personalizes what he is teaching us. It now seems that whenever my Rocky Mtn is acting silly, I don't just react, but ask myself what my horse is telling me and why, and reflect on what Mark might have done or would do in this circumstance. Rashid has taught me to use the thinking side of my brain, which is exactly what we expect our horses to do. The only downside is that I'm rapidly running out of his books as each one becomes quickly consumed during the evening hours. And personally, I'm still trying to figure out why there are no photos in his books, but great illustrations and drawings, and you can never find a picture of Mark.

I've learned so much from Mark Rashid. He really paints a picture of an effective overall demeanor when it comes to dealing with horses, and he does it all through entertaining stories. He truly teaches by experience.

In Mark Rashid's philosophy of looking at things from the horse's point of view I have finally found someone who explains what I have seen in my horses and what I believe is the right way to interact with them. The book is easy and fun to read, like his others, and the comments on how he has changed his ideas and methods over the years just serve to remind us to never stop learning. Mark Rashid's books have changed my life, not only how I interact with my horses, but how I treat myself.

Horses teach us everything if we can learn to listen. Mark makes that easier.

As if his "page-turning" prose weren't enough to make this book worthwhile, Mark Rashid's ability to convince the reader of the point of view of the horse is simply remarkable. My husband & I have used Rashid's approach on various of our rescue horses & have had great success in teaching them to stand quietly for the farrier and be caught in the pasture and simple ground manners. The book is entertaining, insightful, and rewarding when you put his ideas into practice. After my husband & I read it, we immediately bought his next 3 books. Well worth the money and your reading time!

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