

## June 2015 Match—Old West Songs and Poems

**Stage One (Saloon) Count: 10-10-4+ Order: P/R/S**

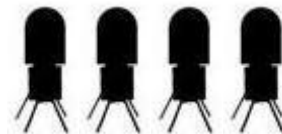
### From “A Cowboy Toast”

**Here’s to the passing cowboy, the plowman’s pioneer;  
His home, the boundless mesa, he of any man the peer;  
Around his wide sombrero was stretched the rattler’s hide,  
His bridle sporting conchos, his lasso at his side.**

*Staging:* Pistols holstered, rifle loaded with 10 rounds staged on center table, shotgun on table on right deck.

*Starting Position:* Start on left deck, hands on pistols.

*Procedure:* When ready, say “**Sun and sage and sand.**” ATB, with pistols shoot the 3 cowboys with two 1-3-1 sweeps, starting from either end each time. Move to center table and activate swinger. With rifle, shoot the 3 targets following same instructions as given for pistols. Move to right window and with shotgun, shoot the 4 knockdowns in any order.



Left Deck Table

Center Table

Right Deck Table

**Stage Two (Well)    Count: 10+-10-4+    Gun Order: R/S/P**

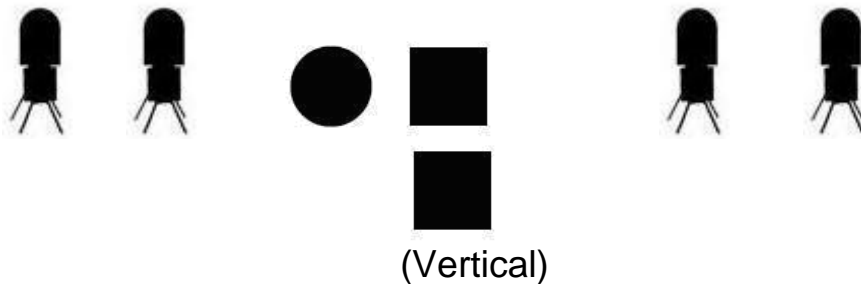
**From “The Old Chisolm Trail”**

**Oh it’s bacon and beans ‘most every day,--  
I’d as soon be eatin’ prairie hay,  
I’m on my horse and I’m goin’ at a run,  
I’m the quickest shootin’ cowboy that ever pulled a gun.**

*Staging:* Pistols holstered, rifle loaded with 10 rounds and in hand, shotgun on table.

*Starting Position:* Start with one foot touching stone, rifle in hand.

*Procedure:* When ready, say “**Coma ki yi yippee.**” ATB, with rifle shoot the circle with 3 rounds, then place 2 rounds on each rectangle, then finish with 3 rounds on the circle. Make rifle safe on table. With shotgun, shoot the 4 knockdowns in any order. With pistols, shoot the 3 targets following the same instructions given for rifle.



Table

Stone

**Stage Three (Fort)    Count: 10-10-2+    Gun Order: P/R/S**

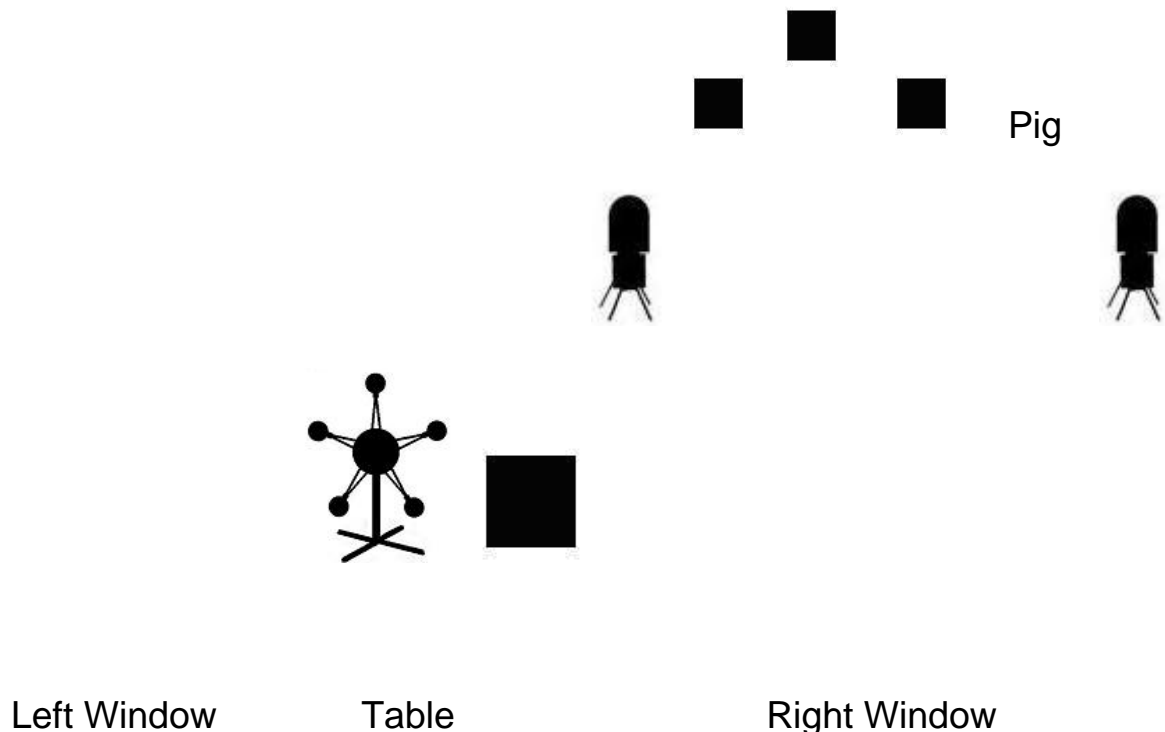
**From “The Muster”**

**So we’re off, we’re off, we’re off,  
With the stockwhip in our hand  
And oh, for the fun of a cattle-hunt  
With a rollicking bushmand band!**

*Staging:* Pistols holstered, rifle loaded with 10 rounds and staged in right window, shotgun staged in right window.

*Starting Position:* Start at table, holding whip in both hands.

*Procedure:* Say **“Zest to the chase.”** ATB with pistols, shoot the plates off the Texas Star, and place any remaining rounds on the dump target. Plates left on the Texas Star and misses on the dump target will be scored as misses. Move to right window and with rifle, place at least 3 rounds on each rectangle. You may shoot the pig with the 10<sup>th</sup> round—for a 5 second bonus if the tail wiggles. At least 10 rifle rounds must be fired. A miss on the pig will not be scored as a miss. With shotgun shoot the 2 knockdowns in any order.



**Stage Four (Jail) Count: 10-10-4+ Gun Order: S/R/P**

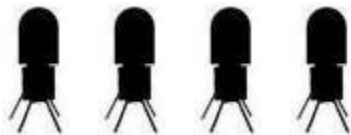
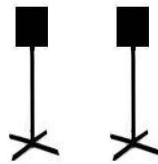
**From “The White Mustang”**

**Forever a thief of tamer steeds,  
Stallion prince of the mustang breeds,  
Coveted prize of the men who ride,  
Never a rope has touched his hide.  
Wherever the saddle is still a throne,  
The Great White Mustang's tale is known.**

*Staging:* Pistols holstered, rifle loaded with 10 rounds staged on horse, shotgun in both hands.

*Starting position:* Standing behind horse, shotgun in both hands.

*Procedure:* Say, **“Soul of fire.”** ATB with shotgun shoot the 4 knockdowns in any order. Make shotgun safe on horse. With rifle, shoot the 2 targets in a regressive sweep, starting on either side (1-1-1-1-2-2-2-1-1-2). Make rifle safe on horse or table. With pistols, shoot the 4 targets in a regressive sweep (1-1-1-1-2-2-2-3-3-4) starting on either end.



Horse

Table

**Stage Five (Cemetery)**

**10-10-4+**

**R/P/S**

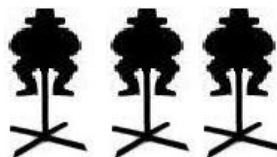
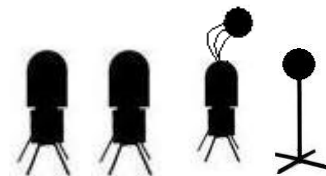
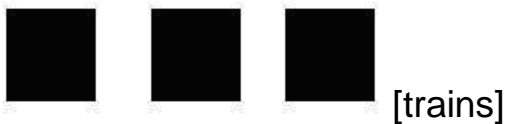
**From “The Hell-Bound Train”**

**A Texas cowboy lay down on a barroom floor,  
Having drunk so much he could drink no more;  
So he fell asleep with a troubled brain,  
To dream that he rode on a hell-bound train.**

*Staging:* Pistols holstered, rifle loaded with 10 rounds staged on left table, shotgun staged on right table.

*Starting Position:* Start standing erect behind left table, hands raised, palms up, as in prayer.

*Procedure:* Say **“Save me from that lake of fire.”** ATB, with rifle, place 5 rounds on the 3 targets, in any order, then repeat instructions. Make safe on table. With pistols, shoot the 3 targets following the same instructions given for rifle. With shotgun, shoot the 2 knockdowns, popper and flying clay (must shoot 4 rounds here). A miss on the flying clay may be made up on stationary clay.



Left table

Center table

Right table

**Stage Six (Livery) Count: 10-10-6+ Gun Order: S/C**

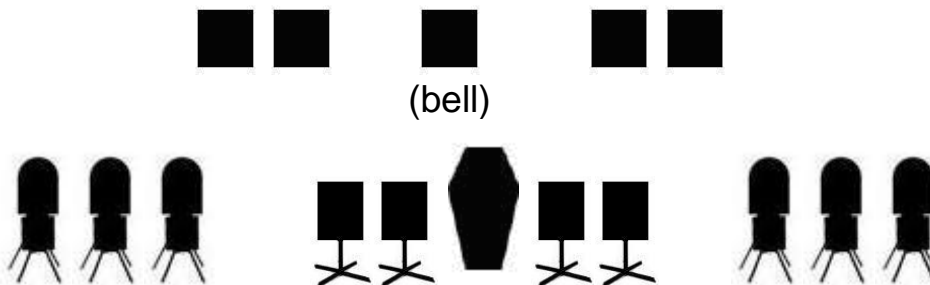
**From “Cyclone Blues”**

**I used to own the Double-D but I'm punching steers today.  
A twisting cyclone came along and blew my ranch away.  
It struck the first of April and as it was going hence  
It took the barn and chicken coop and a mile or two of fence.  
It took the wife, took the kids, the cows and horses too.  
It never left me nothing but the mortgage which is due.  
And that is why I'm punching on the Kansas plains today.  
Paying for the cattle that the cyclone blew away.**

*Staging:* Pistols holstered, rifle loaded with 10 rounds and shotgun, both staged on table.

*Starting Position:* Start standing behind table, hands flat on table.

*Procedure:* Say **“Blow on, devil winds.”** ATB shooter’s choice, rifle not last. With pistols, shoot 3 adjacent targets in a 2-1-2 sweep, starting on either end, then shoot a 2-1-2 sweep, starting from the other end (e.g. 1-1-2-3-3-5-5-4-3-3). With rifle, shoot the 5 targets following the same instructions given for pistols. With shotgun shoot the 6 knockdown targets in any order.



Doorway/Table

**Warm Up Stage    Count: 10+-10-4+    Gun Order: R/P/S**

*Staging:* Pistols holstered, rifle loaded with 10 rounds and shotgun, both staged on table.

*Starting Position:* Standing behind table, hands on pistols.

*Procedure:* Indicate when ready. ATB with rifle, place 1 round on each target, starting on either end, then repeat instructions with last 5 rounds. With pistols, shoot the pistol targets following the same instructions given for rifle. With shotgun, shoot any 4 knockdowns in any order.

