

Dear Shayan,

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I just wanted to let you know how much I appreciate all you have done for me and for Remy, I cannot believe that in just four short weeks you were able to accomplish what we were working on for 2 years.

Remy certainly had a shaky start with his training under saddle. He was started by someone who did not know what they were doing. They galloped him over and over in a round pen until he tried to jump it and brought it down upon himself. He also learned that he needed to fight to get out of the unfair work he was being asked to do. When I took Remy over he had some very bad blocks regarding cantering. He also was very unsure of humans and had some deep trust issues.

He would buck and rear and threaten until he got his way. I tried everything I knew and could not get him to overcome his fears. Within the first week of Remy's lessons, I saw that he was really starting to calm down and was cantering for you with minimal tantrums. Within another week he was not having any temper tantrums and was starting to get his leads down. By the third week, he was using himself more properly and showing more ability to collect.

By his fourth week he was transitioning like a highly trained dressage horse. He was able to side pass to the gate, open and close it. He was also standing still in cross ties, had better stable manners and was truly enjoying his lessons.

You are a very talented horse trainer and a secret hidden treasure. I am so glad I found you and that you decided to help us. I am on my fourth riding lesson now and will continue with them for some time to come. I have learned more from you in four lessons than I knew in a lifetime of riding. I was told I may never ride again due to a horrible accident several years ago. I am now riding with confidence. I am able to ride bareback without a bridle and loving it.

You are an inspirational teacher who knows how to communicate and push your students to achieve goals they never thought they would attain.

Thank you again for all your help, guidance, wisdom and friendship!

Sincerely,

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