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Dogs

Dogs have lived with people as a pet for longer than any other animal. Today, more households in the United States own dogs than any other pet. How much do you know about this popular animal? Set off on a webquest to learn about dogs and find out!

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Find It!

Find the answers to the questions below by using the "Search" tool to search key words. Since this activity is about dogs, you can start by searching the key word "Dog."

Write the answers on the lines provided or below the question.

1. Dog breeders have developed about _____ dog breeds.

2. The smallest breed of dog is the _____.

3. The heaviest dogs are _____ and _____.

   The tallest dogs are the _____ and the _____.

4. _____ were developed to keep sheep and cattle from straying and to protect livestock from predators.

5. Puppies cannot see until their eyelids open about _____ days after birth.

6. Dogs have an average of _____bones.

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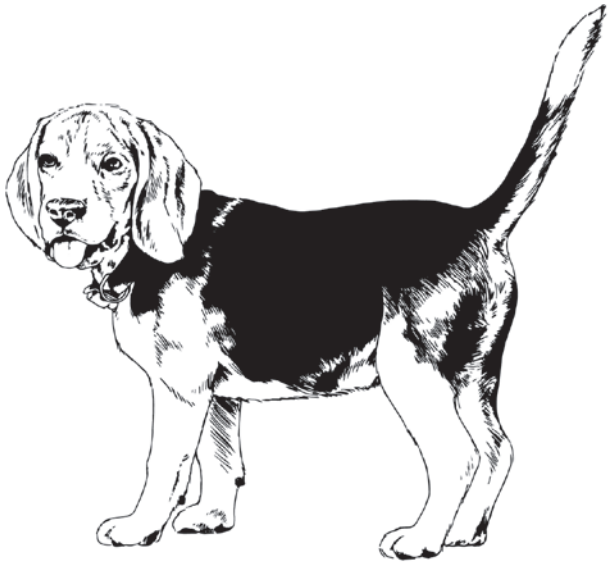
7. According to the American Kennel Club (AKC), what are the 7 major groups of dog breeds



1. _____
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8. Many puppies reach their adult height by _____ of age.

9. A dog's color vision is mainly limited to shades of_____ and perhaps _____.

10. Dogs learn most quickly if given _____ instead of _____.

True or False

Write "True" if the statement about dogs is correct. If the statement is not correct, write "False" and correct the statement in the space below.

_____ 11. Dogs have lived with people as a pet for about 500 years.

_____ 12. In general, small breeds of dogs live longer than large ones.

_____ 13. A dog's most highly developed senses are those of smell and hearing.

_____ 14. A dog lets you know it is hungry when it assumes a posture called the play bow.

_____ 15. Adult dogs need only one meal a day, but many dogs prefer two smaller meals.

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16. What are some things that you can do to avoid dog bites when you are near a strange dog?

17. What is a purebred dog?

18. What were terriers originally developed to do?

19. What are some ways that dogs assist disabled people?

20. What are some common signs of illness in dogs?

Purebred Dogs

In the space provided, answer the questions about different dog breeds. (Hint: For this question see the "Breeds of purebred dogs" table in the "Dog" article.)

21. The golden retriever is in which American Kennel Club (AKC) group?

22. Which dog breed originated in the Middle East about 7000 B.C.?

23. Where did the poodle originate?

24. What is the average weight (in pounds) of a Saint Bernard?

25. Where did the pug originate?

26. The French bulldog is in which American Kennel Club (AKC) group?

27. Where did the greyhound originate?

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28. About how old are Dalmatians when their spots appear? (Hint: For this question see the "Dalmatian" article.)

29. Since about A.D. 1000, what have Cardigan Welsh corgis been used for? (Hint: For this question see the "Cardigan Welsh corgi" article.)

30. Basenjis are the only dogs that cannot bark. What kind of sound do they make instead? (Hint: For this question see the "Basenji" article.)

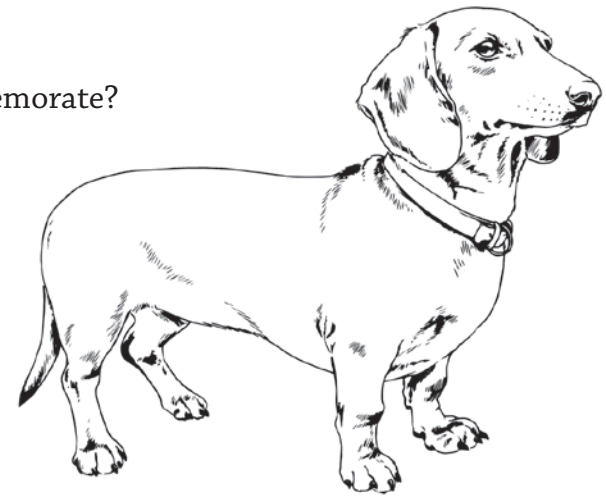
31. What are guide dogs? (Hint: For this question see the "Guide dog" article.)

32. How did the Australian shepherd get its name if it was developed in the United States? (Hint: For this question see the "Australian shepherd" article.)

33. At one time, who were the only people in China who could own the Pekingese? (Hint: For this question see the "Pekingese" article.)

34. What were dachshunds originally trained to do? (Hint: For this question see the "Dachshund" article.)

35. What 1925 event does the Iditarod sled dog race commemorate? (Hint: For this question see the "Iditarod" article.)



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Extension Activity 1

Adopt a dog! Imagine that you were going to adopt a dog. What type of dog would you choose? Why did you choose that breed of dog? Find the World Book article on that dog breed and tell some of the characteristics of that dog breed. Using the "Caring for a dog" section in World Book's "Dog" article, what are some things that you would need to do to be a responsible dog owner?

Extension Activity 2

Be a dog! Imagine that you are a dog (you can be any breed you wish) who has just been adopted by a responsible owner. Write an essay about what you do on a typical day and why. You can include what your owner (who taught you how to write!) did in the past to train you. Make sure to write the essay from the dog's point of view.

Extension Activity 3

Be a researcher! In World Book's eBook collection there is a book entitled *Dogs to Remember* that tells the stories of five famous dogs (Greyfriars' Bobby, Sergeant Stubby, Barry, Honey, and Balto). Use the book or other material that you find and write a report about one of the five dogs.

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