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Dogs

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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 thwe answers below each question or in the space provided.

1. All dogs descend from _____.

2. There are more than _____ kinds of purebred dogs.

3. The smallest dog is the _____.

4. The tallest dogs are the _____ and the _____.

5. Puppies' eyes open about_____ days after birth. Puppies can walk when they are _____ weeks old.

6. Prehistoric people used dogs as _____ and _____.

7. A female dog may give birth to _____ to _____ puppies at a time.

8. Most things look _____ , and perhaps _____ , to a dog.

9. Many dogs are mixed-breed dogs, which are sometimes called _____

    or _____ .

10. The best time to adopt a puppy is when it is_____ weeks old.

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11. Name of article: Dachshund
    One new fact:

12. Name of article: Greyhound
    One new fact:

13. Name of article: Pekingese
    One new fact:

14. Name of article: Saint Bernard
    One new fact:

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.

_____ 15. People first tamed dogs about 500 years ago.

_____ 16. A purebred dog is a dog whose father and mother belong to the same breed.

_____ 17. Big dogs usually live longer than small dogs.

_____ 18. Adult dogs need only one meal of dry or canned food a day.

_____ 19. Dogs smell and hear better than people can.

Find It!

20. The St. Bernard is one of the heaviest dogs. How heavy can a St. Bernard get?

21. What does a dog that sleeps outdoors need?

22. What are some things that dogs can be trained to do?

23. What could happen if a dog is NOT kept on a leash and is instead allowed to run free?

24. Why does a dog get cooler when it pants?

What's the Word?

Questions 25-34. Find the words hidden within the puzzle from the list below. The words may be spelled out vertically (up and down), horizontally (across), or diagonally (slanted). Also, the words may be spelled in the right order, or they may be spelled backwards.

BEAGLE
BULLDOG
COLLIE
DALMATIAN
GERMAN SHEPHERD
GOLDEN RETRIEVER
POODLE
PUG
ROTTWEILER
SIBERIAN HUSKY

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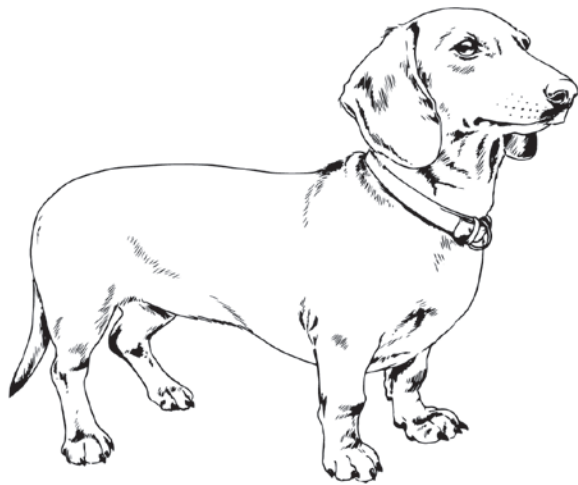<http://www.worldbookonline.com/wb/ebooks/mall/instt/catalog/urn:ISBN:978-0-7166-3043-2/detail.do>.

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Teacher Page

Answers

1. All dogs descend from wolves.

2. There are more than 400 kinds of purebred dogs.

3. The smallest dog is the chihuahua.

4. The tallest dogs are the Irish wolfhound and the Great Dane.

5. Puppies' eyes open when about 10 to 15 days after birth. They can walk when they are 2 to 3 weeks old.

6. Prehistoric people used dogs as watchdogs and work animals.

7. A female dog may give birth to 1 to 10 puppies at a time.

8. Most things look gray, and perhaps blue, to a dog.

9. Many dogs are mixed-breed dogs, which are sometimes called mutts or mongrels.

10. The best time to adopt a puppy is when it is 6 to 8 weeks old.

11. Answers will vary.

12. Answers will vary.

13. Answers will vary.

14. Answers will vary.

15. False. People first tamed dogs more than 10,000 years ago.

16. True.

17. False. Small dogs usually live longer than big dogs.

18. True.

19. True.

20. A Saint Bernard can weigh up to 200 pounds (90 kilograms).

21. A dog that sleeps outdoors needs a warm, dry shelter, such as a garage, barn, or a special dog house.

22. Dogs can be trained to track criminals, sniff out hidden explosives and drugs, rescue accident victims, and guide blind people.

23. A dog running free may cause a traffic accident, fight other dogs, bite people, or hurt other animals.

24. A dog gets cooler when it pants because the wet saliva on the tongue and mouth evaporates in the warm air. This evaporation helps to cool the dog's body.

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