



## Dogs in Art, Myth, and Legend

*Dogs in Art, Myth, and Legend* teaches how dogs in all parts of the world have been depicted in art, myths, and legends since earliest times.

### What did you learn?

#### QUESTIONS

- The very first dog paintings were made ...
  - 12,000 years ago
  - 1,000 years ago
  - 75 years ago
  - In 2002
- Sayings that offer good advice are called ...
  - Proverbs
  - Habits
  - Morals
  - Idioms
- The Roman goddess of hunting is ...
  - Dionysus
  - Demeter
  - Diana
  - Donald
- The Dogrib legend says that their people originated as ...
  - Fire
  - Babies
  - Goats
  - Puppies
- Russi, a white Siberian shepherd, was owned by which German artist?
- The dog name "spaniel" comes from what word?

#### TRUE OR FALSE?

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| _____ 1. In Europe, during the Middle Ages, dogs were a favorite subject for painters and tapestry weavers. | _____ 4. When Shiro's owners mixed wood chips with rice, it turned into dollar bills.                                |
| _____ 2. As punishment for their bad manners, the Madhi turned Baiame into a dog.                           | _____ 5. The gods did not help Cephalus and Lelaps to catch the magical fox.   |
| _____ 3. The last of Hercules's Twelve Labors was to kill a fierce lion.                                    | _____ 6. Whenever the Indian went hunting, he tied the puppies to stakes inside the tepee so they wouldn't get lost. |



## ANSWERS

- 1. a. 12,000 years ago.** According to section “Dogs in Art” on page 6, we know that “The very oldest paintings with dogs in them were made by prehistoric artists as many as 12,000 years ago. These pictures show men and their dogs out hunting.” So, the correct answer is A.
- 2. a. Proverbs.** According to section “The Proverbial Dog” on page 12, we know that “All over the world, people have old sayings that offer good advice. Such sayings are called proverbs.” So, the correct answer is A.
- 3. c. Diana.** According to section “The Dog and the Fox” on page 20, we know that “Diana, the beautiful Roman goddess of hunting, had many dogs.” So, the correct answer is C.
- 4. d. Puppies.** According to section “The Ribs of the Dog” on page 23, we know that “And so the puppies who had become children remained children. The children were the beginning of a new tribe. And from that day to this, these people have been known as the Dogrib Indians.” So, the correct answer is D.
- According to page 11, Russi was owned by artist Franz Marc.
- According to page 25, the name “spaniel” comes from the word “Spain,” the country where spaniels were probably first developed.

## TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. True.** According to section “Dogs in Art” on page 7, we know that “In Europe, during the Middle Ages (from about the 400’s through the 1400’s), dogs and hunters were a favorite subject for painters and tapestry weavers.” So, the correct answer is True.
- 2. False.** According to section “The gathering at Googooewon” on page 15, we know that “As their bad manners grew worse, Baiame knew that he must punish them ... One by one, the Madhi dropped to the ground on all fours. Their arms became legs. Their hands and feet became paws. They grew tails. Hair covered their bodies ... The Madhi had become the first dogs.” So, the correct answer is False.
- 3. False.** According to section “The hound of Hades” on page 16, we know that “Finally, for his last Labor—the most difficult and dangerous of all—the king told Hercules to bring him Cerberus, the fierce, three-headed dog that guarded the gates of Hades, the Kingdom of the Dead.” So, the correct answer is False.
- 4. False.** According to section “Shiro and the Golden Coins” on page 19, we know that “The old woman made a pot of rice. Then they stirred wood chips from the tree into the rice. ‘Look,’ cried the old woman, her eyes filled with wonder. ‘Each grain of rice is turning into a golden coin. We will have enough money for the rest of our lives.’” So, the correct answer is False.
- 5. True.** According to section “The Dog and the Fox” on page 21, we know that “As Cephalus drew back his arm to hurl his spear—the spear that never missed its mark—both fox and dog were turned to stone. The gods had decided that neither dog nor fox should win.” So, the correct answer is True.
- 6. True.** According to section “The Ribs of the Dog” on page 22, we know that “The Indian did not want the puppies to follow him into the forest, where they might get lost. So he made each of them a soft, strong collar and leash of buckskin. Whenever he went hunting, he tied the puppies to stakes inside the tepee.” So, the correct answer is True.