



Working Dogs and Show Dogs

Working Dogs and Show Dogs teaches about the dogs who have been faithful and loyal companions to people for thousands and thousands of years.

What did you learn?

QUESTIONS

1. A guide dog starts attending obedience school when it is ...
 - a. About 12 weeks old
 - b. About 4 months old
 - c. 1 year old
 - d. 3 years old
2. Most police dogs are ...
 - a. German shepherds
 - b. Border collies
 - c. Bloodhounds
 - d. Dachshunds
3. When acting for a camera, trainers cannot give the dog ...
 - a. Treats
 - b. Water
 - c. Hand signals
 - d. Voice commands
4. The only dogs that can participate in sight hunting are ...
 - a. Purebred sighthounds
 - b. English pointers
 - c. Samoyeds
 - d. Whippets
5. What was the name of the German shepherd that appeared in movies in the 1920's?
6. What is a bench show?

TRUE OR FALSE?

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| _____ 1. The first guide dog was a golden retriever. | _____ 4. One of the most famous dog stars was Lassie. |
| _____ 2. Training a signal dog takes one to two weeks. | _____ 5. An obedience trial is about watching a dog follow commands. |
| _____ 3. A bloodhound will wag its tail at a criminal. | _____ 6. A good sled team will average about 50 miles (30 kilometers) per hour. |

ANSWERS

- 1. b. About 4 months old.** According to section "Extra-Special Dogs" on page 7, we know that "When it is about 4 months old, the puppy starts attending obedience school." So, the correct answer is B.
- 2. a. German shepherds.** According to section "Crime Fighters" on page 13, we know that "Most police dogs are German shepherds. These dogs are smart, strong, brave, and big enough to either gently help a small child or terrify a desperate criminal." So, the correct answer is A.
- 3. d. Voice commands.** According to section "Acrobats and Actors" on page 18, we know that "Acting in front of a camera is especially difficult. Because of the microphones, the trainer cannot give the dog voice commands." So, the correct answer is D.
- 4. a. Purebred aighthounds.** According to section "Trials and Tests for Working Dogs" on page 29, we know that "Another kind of test is called coursing, or sight hunting. Only purebred sighthounds can participate in this event." So, the correct answer is A.
- 5.** According to page 20, Rin-Tin-Tin was a German shepherd movie star.
- 6.** According to page 33, a bench show is a show at which dogs competing for prizes are "benched"—that is, kept on a bench before and after judging.

TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. False.** According to section "Extra-Special Dogs" on page 6, we know that "Guide dogs usually are purebreds. The first kind of dog trained for this important work was the German shepherd." So, the correct answer is False.
- 2. False.** According to section "Extra-Special Dogs" on page 9, we know that "Training for a signal dog takes about three to six months." So, the correct answer is False.
- 3. True.** According to section "On the Trail" on page 15, we know that "When a bloodhound finds someone, it never attacks. It wags its tail! It is happy to find the person it was looking for. To the dog, there is no difference between a lost child and a criminal." So, the correct answer is True.
- 4. True.** According to section "Acrobats and Actors" on page 19, we know that "Many individual dogs have become movie and television stars. Perhaps the most famous one of all time was Lassie." So, the correct answer is True.
- 5. True.** According to section "Degrees for Dogs" on page 25, we know that "It's exciting to watch a smart, well-behaved dog following commands. That's what an obedience trial is all about." So, the correct answer is True.
- 6. False.** According to section "Let it Snow!" on page 30, we know that "A good team will average about 20 miles (30 kilometers) per hour." So, the correct answer is False.