

LO: To answer comprehension questions independently.

ALL ABOUT DOGS

Dogs have been kept as pets for hundreds of years. There are many kinds of dog. Some are so small that they can be carried in a handbag, others are the size of a pony. Dogs are mammals, which means they have fur and are warm blooded.

Did you know?

Dogs have an amazing sense of smell. They can smell things that we can't smell. This makes them brilliant at helping the police to catch criminals. They are often used to help find drugs or weapons.



Answer in full sentences.

1 For how long have people kept dogs as pets?

1

2 How do dogs help the police?

1

What can dogs do?

Dogs have many talents. They can be taught to herd sheep, helping farmers get them in from the fields. They can lead people who are blind, helping them to cross the road and find their way around safely. Some are used to help disabled people to do daily chores and some know if their owner is getting poorly. In snowy countries, dogs are often used to pull people on sledges.

3 How do dogs help farmers?

1

4 Name two other things dogs can do.

2

5 How do dogs help blind people?

1

What do dogs eat?

Dogs are omnivores, which means they can eat meat and plants. They can eat nearly all the things that we do. You should never feed a dog chocolate as it can make them very poorly.

6 What does omnivore mean?

1

7 What should you never give a dog to eat?

1

Looking after a Dog

Dogs love to exercise, so they need to go out for a walk every day. They need plenty of food to eat and fresh water to drink, to stay healthy. Dogs love to play! Many like to fetch balls and sticks. Some like playing with fluffy or squeaky toys. Dogs have fur and need to be brushed to keep their fur clean and smooth. They also like to swim and will jump into streams and rivers, making a real mess and getting very wet!

8 What do many dogs like to fetch?

1

9 Why do dogs need to be brushed?

1

10 What do dogs love to do?

2

