

Showmanship Questions—Juniors

Taken from the Wiggles and Wags book

1. What kind of dog food do you feed your dog? What is the first ingredient?
2. What breed is your dog? What is that breed known to do?
3. What AKC group is your dog's breed in?
4. What are cataracts?
5. What is hip dysplasia?
6. What is the Canine Good Citizens?
7. At what age can you spay or neuter a dog?
8. Name four of the eight AKC groups. Name a dog from each of these groups.
9. What is the breed of another dog in the ring today?
10. Approximately how many purebred dog breeds are there in the world?
11. How many dog breeds does the AKC recognize?
12. What does AKC stand for?
13. What is the purpose of a microchip?
14. Name 4 body parts of your dog.
15. Where is your dog's hock?
16. Where is your dog's brisket?
17. Where is your dog's pastern?
18. Where is your dog's stifle?
19. Where is your dog's withers?
20. Where is your dog's croup?
21. Where is your dog's tuck up?
22. Where is your dog's pinna?
23. Are dogs omnivores, carnivores, or herbivores?
24. Is it okay to feed your dog table scraps? Why or why not?
25. Name three vaccinations for your dog.
26. Name two internal parasites.
27. Name two external parasites.
28. What is crate training and why is it used?
29. How well do you know a dog's body language? Dog one has its hind end up and is "bowing" with its front legs. Dog two has its ears pinned back on its head and its tail between its legs. Which dog is afraid?
30. What problems can occur from dogs not being properly groomed?
31. Do all dogs need brushing?
32. Name three reasons a dog could have ear problems.
33. What is the quick of the dog's nail?
34. Give an example of a "breed-specific" trait of your dog?
35. Give two examples of aggressive dog body language.
36. Give two examples of playful dog body language.
37. Give an example of submissive dog body language.
38. Name two nutrients your dog needs in its diet.
39. Name two ways you can help keep your dog from becoming lost.
40. What is the difference between a purebred and mixed breed dog? What are the advantages of each?

Tie breaking questions (keep asking questions until a clear winner is established)

Name as many of the AKC groups as you can

List as many dogs in each of the groups as you can

Tell about the breed-specific traits of as many of the groups as you can

Name the origin of as many dogs as you can

Name as many internal parasites as you can, and their treatment

Your dog has escaped from the backyard and you cannot find them. What do you do? How do you find them?

You are trimming your dog's toenails and they start to bleed. What can you do to stop the bleeding?

How would you help a family in your community select a dog?

Name two dog movies/tv shows.

Showmanship Questions: Seniors

From the 4-H books, Canine Connections and Leading the Pack

1. Name six breeds, their countries of origin, and their original uses.
2. What are three considerations when selecting a boarding facility?
3. What are three costs associated with dog ownership?
4. What are the two most common types of disorders in which dog breeders usually test (provide the acronym of the tests)?
5. Puppies can get into almost anything. What are three common household items that puppies could get into that would be hazardous to their health, and why?
6. Describe how you should safely transport your dog by car?
7. How much does it cost per day to feed your dog?
8. What is the minimum percentage of protein that adult dogs need? How much protein do puppies and pregnant or lactating dogs need?
9. If you have a hardworking dog, does it need more protein or more carbohydrates and fat?
10. How do you give a dog a pill?
11. How would you know if your dog has worms?
12. Which of the dog parasites can affect humans? Name two.
13. Of all of the animals that enter shelters in the U.S., what percentage find homes?
14. Name two problem behaviors and ways to correct them.
15. Name two canine performance events and what is done in them.
16. What does it mean if you feed your dog "ad lib"?
17. What does it mean if you do a "dry matter basis" comparison of dog food?
18. If the vet says that an "endoscopy" is required as a treatment for your dog, what is going to be done?
19. What is an example of a sighthound?
20. Take the pulse of your dog.
21. What is the normal respiratory rate per minute of your dog?
22. What is normal canine temperature?
23. How do you keep an injured animal from going into shock?
24. How do you check for capillary refill time?
25. Name three parts of the canine gastrointestinal system and its function.
26. List two reasons to breed and two reasons not to breed a dog.
27. What is a puppy mill? Why is there debate over the use of them?
28. What is a geriatric dog? What are three conditions to watch for in a geriatric dog?
29. What are three benefits of taking a puppy to some kind of "puppy training class"?
30. Name two common guide dog breeds. How are guide dogs different than trained dogs?
31. Name four components of the Canine Good Citizen Test.
32. Name three types of service jobs in which dogs work.
33. What is a zoonotic disease and why is it important for you to know about them?
34. What is "intelligent disobedience"?
35. Name 5 careers related to dogs.

Tie breaking questions:

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