

- b. Describe some common characteristics of the dogs that make up each of the seven major dog groups.

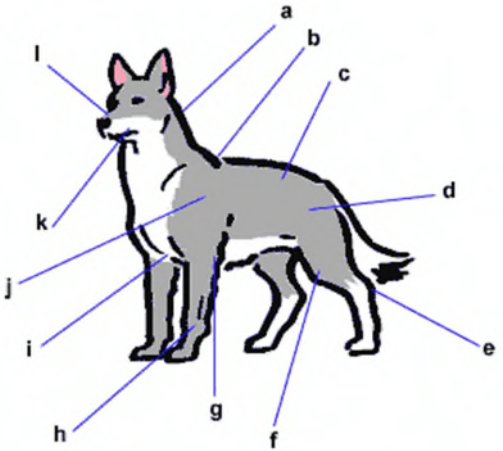
	Group	Breed(s)	Characteristics
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- c. Tell some specific characteristics of seven breeds of dogs (one from each major group),

	Breed	Group	Characteristics
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OR give a short history of one breed.

2. Point out on a dog (or on a sketch) at least 10 parts. Give the correct name of each one.

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3. Do the following:

- a. Explain the importance of house-training, obedience training, and socialization training for your dog.

House-training	
Obedience training	
Socialization training	

- b. Explain what "responsible pet ownership" means.

- c. Explain what issues (including temperament) must be considered when deciding on what breed of dog to get as a family pet.

4. For two months, keep and care for your dog.* Maintain a log of your activities during this period that includes these items: feeding schedule, types of food used, amount fed, exercise periods, training schedule, a weekly body weight record, grooming and bathing schedules, veterinary care, if necessary, and costs. Also include a brief description of the type of housing/shelter arrangements you have for your dog.

(Sample Blank Logs are located at the end of the workbook)

5. Explain the correct way to obedience train a dog and what equipment you would need.

Show with your dog any three of these commands:

☐ "Come," ☐ "Sit," ☐ "Down," ☐ "Heel," ☐ "Stay," ☐ "Take it," ☐ "Get it," ☐ "Drop it."

6. Do the following:

- a. Discuss the proper vaccination schedule for a dog in your area from puppyhood through adulthood.

- b. Discuss the control methods for preventing fleas, ticks, heartworms, and intestinal parasites (worms) for a dog in your area from puppyhood through adulthood.

Fleas

Ticks

Heartworms

Intestinal
parasites
(worms)

- c. Explain the importance of dental care and tooth brushing to your pet's health.

- d. Discuss the benefits of grooming your dog's coat and nails on a regular basis.

- e. Discuss with your counselor any seasonal conditions (like hot summers, cold winters, or extreme humidity) where you live that need to be considered for your dog.

- f. Discuss with your counselor the considerations and advantages of spaying or neutering your dog..

7. Do the following:

- a. Explain precautions to take in handling a hurt dog.

- b.
- ☐
- Show how to put on an emergency muzzle

- c. Explain how to treat wounds.

Explain first aid for a dog bite.

- d.
- ☐
- Show how to put on a simple dressing and bandage to the
- ☐
- foot,
- ☐
- body, or
- ☐
- head of your dog.

- e. Explain what to do if a dog is hit by a car.

- f. List the things needed in every dog owner's first-aid kit.

- g. Tell the dangers of home treatment of a serious ailment.

[illegible]

- h. Briefly discuss the cause and method of spread, the signs and symptoms and the methods of prevention of rabies, parvovirus, distemper, and heartworms in dogs.

Rabies:

Cause:

Method of spread,

Signs and symptoms

Methods of prevention

Parvovirus:

Cause:

Method of spread,

Signs and symptoms

Methods of prevention

Distemper:

Cause:

Method of spread,

Signs and symptoms

Methods of prevention

Heartworms:

Cause:

Method of
spread,Signs and
symptomsMethods
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prevention

8. Visit a veterinary hospital or an animal shelter and give a report about your visit to your counselor.

9. Know the laws and ordinances involving dogs that are in force in your community.

[illegible]

10. Learn about three career opportunities for working with dogs.

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| 2. | |
| 3. | |

Pick one and find out about the education, training, and experience required for this career, and discuss this with your counselor.

Career:	
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Education	

Training:	

Experience:	

Tell why this profession interests you..

When working on merit badges, Scouts and Scouters should be aware of some vital information in the current edition of the *Guide to Advancement* (BSA publication 33088). Important excerpts from that publication can be downloaded from <http://usscouts.org/advance/docs/GTA-Excerpts-meritbadges.pdf>.

You can download a complete copy of the *Guide to Advancement* from <http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33088.pdf>.

SAMPLE DOG CARE LOG Month 1

Starting Date: ____/____/____ Ending Date: ____/____/____

Date	Feeding Schedule	Food Types	Food Amount	Exercise Periods	Training Schedule	Body Weight	Grooming	Bathing	Veterinary Care	Costs
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SAMPLE DOG CARE LOG Month 2

Starting Date: ____/____/____ Ending Date: ____/____/____

Date	Feeding Schedule	Food Types	Food Amount	Exercise Periods	Training Schedule	Body Weight	Grooming	Bathing	Veterinary Care	Costs
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