

MINI 4-H PUPPY PROJECT

WARREN COUNTY



NAME: _____

CLUB: _____

Puppy Project

Instructions:

Make one of the following projects:

- 1. Puppy Care Kit**
- 2. Puppy Biscuits**
- 3. Dog Poster**

Complete two of the following activities:

- 1. Best Friends Word Search**
- 2. True or False**
- 3. Picture Scramble**
- 4. K-9 Kids Word Scramble**

Bring each of the following to the Fair:

- 1. Finished Project**
- 2. Completed Activities**
- 3. Completed Record Sheet**

DIRECTIONS FOR YOUR PROJECT

Making a puppy care kit

Materials Needed:

Bag or carrying case

Items to care for your puppy (be creative, but don't forget the essentials)

2" x 4" label

1. Decide on the items you feel that you will need to care for your puppy.
2. Place your items in a bag or carrying case.
3. Write your name, address and age on the label.
4. Attach label to the bottom of your bag.
5. Bring your puppy care kit to the 4-H Fair.

Making puppy biscuits with a grown up assistant

Materials Needed:

1 ½ cup unbleached flour

2 teaspoons ground cinnamon

1 ½ cup whole wheat flour

½ cup smooth applesauce

½ cup cornmeal

1 egg, slightly beaten

1/8 cup nonfat dry milk

½ to ¾ cup of water

Cookie cutter or dog bone

butter knife

2" x 4" label

1. Stir together the dry ingredients in a large bowl.
2. Add the applesauce and egg then blend thoroughly.
3. Then add the water gradually, stirring with a wooden spoon.
4. The dough should be very stiff; if not, add a little more flour.
5. Knead the dough with your hands to create a smooth texture.
6. Roll the dough ¼ inch thick. (It helps if the top and bottom of the dough are lightly floured).
7. Use a cookie cutter to cut out the biscuits about ½ inch apart on a lightly greased cookie sheet. If you do not have a cookie cutter, then you could use a dog bone for a shape to cut around.
8. Bake in a preheated 350 degree oven for about 38 to 50 minutes. This is where your grown up assistant will come in handy.
9. The biscuits should be lightly browned on the outside and they should not be moist inside.
10. Turn the oven off and let the biscuits stay inside without opening the oven door for five hours or overnight to let them harden
11. Store in an airtight container. This makes four dozen 3 inch long by 1 inch wide biscuits.
12. Write you name, address and age on the label. Attach it to the bottom of a paper plate.
13. Bring 2 to 3 of your puppy biscuits displayed on a paper plate to the 4-H Fair.

MAKING A DOG POSTER

Materials Needed:

Poster board, 22" x 28" (color of your choice), photographs, magazine pictures, drawings of different dog breeds,
Marker,
Rubber cement
Some Common Dog Breeds handout
2" x 4" label
Clear plastic or other clear material (not kitchen wrap)

1. Place your poster board horizontally on a flat surface.
2. Title your exhibit accordingly with a marker.
3. Write your name, address and age on the label.
4. Place the label on the bottom right hand corner of the board.
5. Choose 6-8 breeds from the handout or any other breed that you have researched to display on your poster.
6. Arrange your pictures or drawings how you would like.
7. Carefully glue each down to the poster board with rubber cement.
8. Under each picture, tell us about the breed. You may use information from the handout.
9. Cover your poster with clear plastic to protect your exhibit.
10. Attach a stiff backing to your poster to keep it from bending forward. For example, stiff cardboard.
11. Bring your poster to the 4-H Fair

SOME COMMON DOG BREEDS

The **Cocker Spaniel** is the smallest member of the sporting-dog family. They are a great lover of home and family. They are trustworthy and adaptable. They can be tan, black, cream, or reddish-brown in color.

The **Collie** is known for its sense of devotion. They were shepherders. Collies have dense coats to protect them from the cold. They come from Scotland where it gets very cold.

The **Scottish Terrier**, or sometimes called the **Scottie**, is a very short dog. They stand only 10 inches tall and have tails that are 7 inches long. They are generally black, but some are gray, sandy, or wheaten.

The **Labrador** is a retriever. They have thick tails that help them swim. They are very strong and have heavy coats. They can swim in cold water whenever a duck lands in the water. Other retrievers are **Golden** and **Chesapeake Bay** retrievers.

The **Pointer** is just one of the pointing dogs. They weigh about 85 pounds. They are able to smell birds. When they find one, they take up a pointing stance. They remain pointing until the hunter shoots the bird. Other breeds of pointers are **Weimaraners** and **Irish Setters**.

The **Irish Setter** is a good hunting companion. They have silky, copper-red coats and are graceful, loveable, and loyal.

The **Great Dane** is considered the gentle giant of dogs. They are powerful, wise, noble and courageous. They are yellow, gray, black, or sometimes spotted in color.

The **Poodle** was originally a hunting dog. Some were trained to smell or sniff out rare and valuable vegetables. Poodles come in black, white, apricot, chocolate, and silver.

The **Old English Sheep Dog** is used to drive or herd sheep and other livestock. They are intelligent, affectionate, and make good house dogs. This large dog has a long, thick, shaggy coat that makes it look like a bear when it runs.

The **Dalmatian** is known by its spots. They sometimes ride on fire trucks and make good pets. They are large dogs and can weigh up to 50 pounds.

The **Fox Terrier** is a wonderful friend. They are playful and clever. They are small in size and have stiff wiry hair and v-shaped ears.

The **Pomeranian** was once a sled dog. Because he made such a good pet, people decided they would like him to be a lap-sized dog. Through years of breeding, they reduced his size. Now, he is a small dog with a long, fluffy coat.

The **Bulldog** was bred for the sport of bullbaiting. They would grab onto the bull's nose and hang on, but it was dangerous. The bull could spear the dog with its horn. Now, Bulldogs are peaceful, gentle animals. They come in red, white, or almost any mixed color.

The **Boxer** is a playful, gentle, and kind dog. They are intelligent and fearless and very devoted. This cousin of the **Bulldog** is a medium-sized dog with a square build and a satin smooth coat.

The **German Shepard** is a very useful dog. Some German Shepherds do police work. Others help people by leading the blind. Some even herd cattle and sheep.

The **Greyhound** hunts by sight. They have very good sight. They are quite swift. They can run as fast as 35 miles per hour for a short time. They can run so fast that people have races with them. They run around a track chasing a mechanical rabbit.

The **Saint Bernard** is famous for his rescue work in the Swiss Alps. They can find people lost in the snow because of their excellent sense of smell. These dogs are easily recognized by their black-masked face and brown and white coat.

The **Dachshund** stands very low to the ground. He has very short legs and a long body. In hunting rabbits, the Dachshund was short enough to crawl into the rabbit holes. The colors are usually dark red, black and tan, or silver.

The **Mixed Breed**, or sometimes called a **Mutt**, is one of the most popular of all dogs. They make good pets and can be trained well.

DIRECTIONS FOR YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Best Friends Word Search

- 1. Circle the 9 words as you find them hidden in the letters.**
- 2. Be sure to put your name on the bottom of the page.**
- 3. Turn in your activity with your project.**

True or False

- 1. Decide whether the statement is true or false.**
- 2. In the blank beside each question, write True or False.**
- 3. Be sure to put your name at the bottom of the page.**
- 4. Turn in your activity with your project.**

Labeling the Parts of a Dog

- 1. Using the picture of the dog, label the part that is being pointed to.**
- 2. Be sure to put your name at the bottom of the page.**
- 3. Turn in your activity with your project.**

K-9 Kids Word Scramble

- 1. In the blank, unscramble the word to make the sentence complete.**
- 2. Be sure to put your name at the bottom of the page.**
- 3. Turn in your activity with your project.**



BEST FRIENDS WORD SEARCH

W F T L O V E I P T
T O S D N L A I T E
R F E T C H U L F P
A G R O O M I N G L
I W I O P G D T O A
N F A J K R C E D Y
I O E T L O W A Q G
N O S H E L T E R S
G D O Z H R Y N M E

WORD BANK

LOVE
WATER
SHELTER

GROOMING
FOOD
FETCH

TRAINING
CARE
PLAY

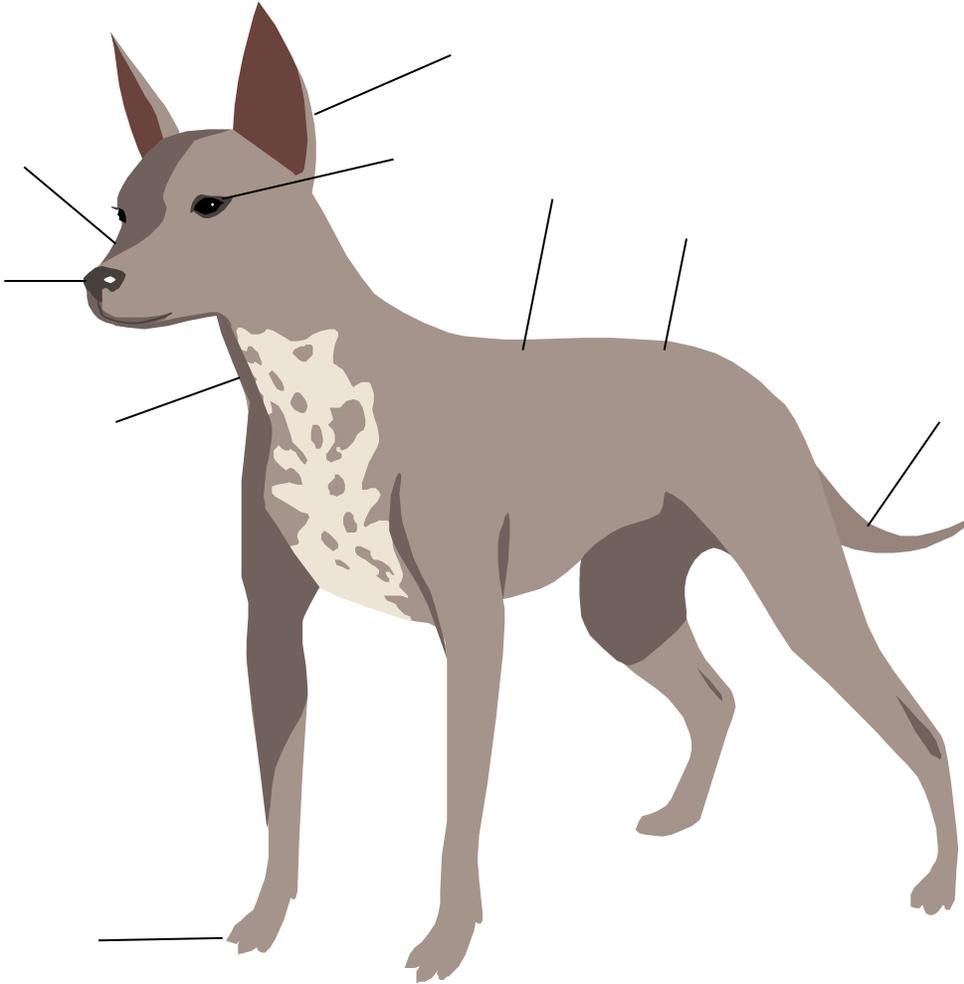
NAME: _____

TRUE OR FALSE

- _____ 1. Dogs need fresh water and nutritious food every day.
- _____ 2. An advantage of owning a purebred puppy is that you can predict what size, type of coat, and personality it will have as an adult dog.
- _____ 3. Dogs should only be bathed when they are dirty.
- _____ 4. You should always ask permission from the owner before you approach or pet a dog.
- _____ 5. Spaying or neutering your dog will make it fat and lazy.
- _____ 6. There are five basic commands every dog should learn: sit, stay, heel, come, and down.
- _____ 7. You should always walk your dog on a leash.
- _____ 8. You need to take your dog to the veterinarian only when he or she is sick.
- _____ 9. Registering your purebred puppy with the American Kennel Club allows you and your dog to compete in several dog events.
- _____ 10. To be a responsible dog owner takes a lot of work.

NAME: _____

LABELING THE PARTS OF A DOG



The names of the different parts of a dog are listed below. Match them to the line that describes that part.

EAR

NECK

NOSE

TAIL

BACK

EYES

HIP

MUZZLE

TOES

NAME: _____

K-9 Kids

Word Scramble

1. Take a nice long _____. aklw
2. A quick game of _____ would be fun. cftch
3. The _____ flies through the air to Fido. iebserf
4. Go _____ in a nearby lake. nmgwmisi
5. Fido says, "Please, please, please can't we play _____? labl
6. A fun place for dogs to go is the _____. akpr
7. Fido needs to be on a _____ before he can go on a walk. asehl
8. After being outside on a hot day, Fido needs to get some _____. teawr

NAME: _____

Mini Puppy Project Record Sheet

Name: _____

Club: _____ Grade: _____

School: _____ Township: _____

1. Which one of the three project choices did you choose?

2. How much did your project cost? _____

3. How many hours did it take to complete your project? _____

4. What did you learn while working on your project? _____

5. What did you learn from the activities? _____

6. Did you enjoy the Mini 4-H Program? _____

7. Do you have any suggestions for the Mini 4-H Program? _____

Acknowledgement of Completion: _____

Parent Signature