

Showmanship Tips

- Know the parts of the dog
- Know number of teeth – 42
- Know temperature of dog – 102 degrees
- Know your dog's breed/age
- Know what group your dog is in – Sporting, Hound, Working, Terrier, Toy, Non Sporting, Herding
- Know where your breed of dog originated from
- What was your dog bred to do?
- Is there any special care needed for your breed of dog?
- What vaccines do you give your dog?
 - Give examples – Rabies, distemper-parvo, limes
- How often do you give these vaccines?
- What is an external parasite?
 - Give examples – fleas, ticks, mites
- What is an internal parasite?
 - Give examples – heartworm, tapeworm, ringworm, whipworm, hookworm, roundworm
- How often do you feed your dog?
- How much do you feed him in a day?
- What is the protein level of your dog food?
 - Check your bag and know the benefits of its food!

Additional Intermediate/Senior level questions

- What is the normal heart beat of a dog?
 - 120 beats/minute
- What are the main types of nutrients?
 - Proteins, vitamins, minerals, water and carbohydrates
- How is heartworm spread from dog to dog?
 - By mosquitoes
- What is the cause of ringworm in dogs?
 - Fungus
- What disease is characterized by circular, scaly area and where the hair has been lost?
 - Ringworm
- How do you remove a tick imbedded on a dog?
 - Dab Rubbing Alcohol on the tick – will cause the tick to release
- What dog disease may be preventable by vaccination?
 - Distemper, Hepatitis, parvo virus, rabies
- What dog ailment may be caused by change of diet, milk, too much grease or overeating?
 - Diarrhea
- What is the normal gestation period of a dog?
 - 63 days
- What is the process of giving birth called in dogs?
 - Whelping
- How old are most dog breeds when reaching sexual maturity?
 - 9-10 months

- How often each year will a female dog come into season?
 - Twice
- How long will a female dog remain in season?
 - 21 days
- What is the term used to describe the breeding of closely related animals?
 - In-Breeding
- The jaws, lips, and nose make up what part of the dog?
 - Muzzle
- What is the bump at the rear of the skull in most dog breeds called?
 - Occiput
- What does it mean to dock a dogs tail?
 - Surgically shorten or remove the tail