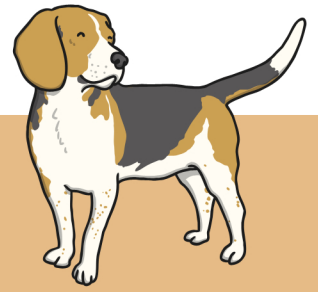


Dogs



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Did you know?

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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 dogs can even pull people on sledges in snowy countries.

What do they eat?

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

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 water to drink, in order to stay healthy. Dogs love to play! They like to fetch balls and sticks. Because they have fur, they need to be brushed to keep their fur clean and smooth. They also like to swim. They will jump into streams and rivers, and make a real mess!

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