

# Answers

1. How do we know dogs are a popular pet in the UK?

**We know that dogs are a popular pet in the UK because there are eight and a half million dogs kept as pets.**

2. Describe what and how you would feed a dog.

**Dogs need food which is meat and plant based. They need one meal a day, unless a vet has said they need feeding differently.**

3. Name two factors which might contribute to why some dogs might get scared.

**Two factors which might contribute to why some dogs get more scared than others, is that they have different personalities and if they have been a rescue dog, they might have been badly treated before.**

4. What might a dachshund have the right characteristics for, and why?

**A dachshund might have the right characteristics to be a hunting dog, because they are small and could fit down a rabbit burrow.**

5. Imagine you are a vet. An owner brings their dog in and says the dog keeps looking around, lies down a lot and is licking its lips more than usual. What might be wrong with it and how do you know?

**I think the dog might be worried about something, because licking their lips a lot, looking away or around, and lying down, are signs of being worried.**

6. Which two points in the section Training a Dog, do you think are the most important, and why?

**Pupil's own response.**

7. What word has the author used, which means that dogs are interested in things?

**The word the author has used which means dogs are interested in things, is 'curious'.**

8. Why should you not feed a dog chocolate buttons?

**You should not feed a dog chocolate buttons because that type of food is poisonous to them and can make them very ill.**

9. How could a dog help a person in a wheelchair, in their home?

**Pupil's own response. Possible answers based on: carrying things around the house/ fetching/ pulling washing out the washing machine/ helping in a supermarket.**

10. Instead of this text being called "Pet Care for Dogs" think of a different title.

**Pupil's own response.**