Show Committees and Judges: Please use these questions when interviewing youth for Junior A & B Showmanship and Junior You and Your Dog Judging during the 2021 4-H project year.

Recommended use: Judges can select 2 or 3 sets of 6 questions and put each set in an envelope, allowing exhibitors to choose 1 of the envelopes, or use the same 6 questions for all juniors at a show. Select less difficult questions for Junior A Showmanship handlers. For State Fair Showmanship and You and Your Dog youth will select 1 of 3 envelopes.

Recommended scoring: Where answers require explanations, exhibitors may answer using their own wording provided they convey the same meaning as the correct answer. As a judge, do not give hints or define a word in the question or statement. Youth are expected to know the meaning of the words. Each question is worth 10 points. If one question asks for multiple answers, then give partial credit for each correct answer.

Questions asked during the 2021 Ohio State Fair Dog Show Junior Showmanship and You and Your Dog classes will come from this bank of questions. Youth can find the answers to all of these questions in the Ohio 4-H Dog Resource Handbook, ©2018.

Q1. How many active toes do dogs have on each foot?
Q2. How many total teeth do adult dogs have?
Q3. What is a dog that is usually less than 12 months of age called?
Q4. What were the first animals domesticated or tamed by humans?
Q5. What does the acronym AKC stand for?
Q6. What breed of dogs came from the Shetland Islands of Scotland?
Q7. What were Beagles bred to hunt?
Q8. In what AKC group is the Beagle?
Q9. In what AKC group is the Border Collie?
Q10. In what AKC group is the Golden Retriever?
Q11. In what AKC group of dogs is the smallest breeds of all the dog breeds?
Q12. What is the name of the country the Boxer came from?
Q13. Name 1 type of bite in relation to a dog’s conformation.
Q14. What type of ear carriage does a Collie have?
Q15. What is the type of tail called that has a long fringe of hair on the tail that covers either part of the tail or all of the tail?
Q16. What is the type of foot that has 2 center toes that are noticeably longer than the inside and outside toes of the foot?

Q17. What does the term “level back” mean?

Q18. Referring to rear quarter conformation, what is the term called when a dog’s hocks turn in toward each other with the hind feet toeing out?

Q19. What type of dog’s coat is shiny and sleek, and lies very close to the skin?

Q20. What is the name of the basic brush used for regular brushing and to remove loose hair?

Q21. What is the name of the grooming tool designed to cut through mats without destroying the coat?

Q22. What is the term that describes a dog with both parents belonging to the same breed, and who are themselves of unmixed descent?

Q23. What is the term that describes a dog that has 1 parent of one breed and another parent of a different breed?

Q24. What are 2 purposes of using an undercoat rake when grooming a dog?

Q25. You should not purchase a puppy younger than how many weeks old?

Q26. What is a list of a particular dog’s ancestors for 3 or more generations called?

Q27. What style of scissors should you use to trim the hair between a dog’s pads?

Q28. What is the definition of a “crossbred” dog?

Q29. Socialization, or lack thereof, has the most impact on shaping a dog’s temperament and behavior during the first ______ to ______ weeks of life. (Must give range.)

Q30. What is another name for a relaxed or natural body posture?

Q31. Dogs showing this type of body posture are preparing to attack, and if forced, will bite and fight.

Q32. What is the purpose of place training a puppy or dog?

Q33. Name 1 principle of operant conditioning.

Q34. What does the term “targeting” mean?

Q35. In 4-H showmanship, what is the first and most important thing to do in stacking your dog?

Q36. What breed of dog is stacked differently from other breeds in a Showmanship class?

Q37. In Showmanship, when stacking your dog, once you get control of the head, what is the next step?
Q38. When gaiting your dog in Showmanship and you are approaching the judge, why should you stop 3 - 4 feet in front of the judge?

Q39. Describe how to show a dog’s bite.

Q40. Name 2 Showmanship patterns.

Q41. Who decides whether or not you can use bait in a showmanship class?

Q42. Up to how many bones are in a dog’s skeleton?

Q43. Describe the type of hair that makes up a dog’s undercoat.

Q44. What does a dog use his canine teeth for?

Q45. Name 2 areas where a dog’s taste buds are located.

Q46. What is the best way to prevent the transmission of diseases?

Q47. What is the name of the viral infection that attacks the central nervous system in all warm-blooded animals, resulting in paralysis and death?

Q48. What is the most common internal parasite in dogs?

Q49. What are 2 categories of nutrients necessary in a dog’s diet?

Q50. What is the normal body temperature range in dogs?