

**2025 Ohio 4-H Dog Program Question Bank**  
**Senior Showmanship A & B - Senior You and Your Dog**  
**Youth Ages 15-18 as of January 1, 2025**

**Show Committees and Judges:** Please use these questions when interviewing youth for Senior A & B Showmanship and Senior You and Your Dog Judging during the 2025 4-H project year. Judges may also select any of the questions posted for Juniors and Intermediates for Senior B Showmanship exhibitors. Only use the questions from this question bank for Senior A and You and Your Dog Exhibitors. There are separate sets of questions for use for You and Your Dog Interview Judging and All About Dogs Interview Judging held during Companion Animal Day at the Ohio State Fair. These can be found at [www.go.osu.edu/companionanimalresources](http://www.go.osu.edu/companionanimalresources).

**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 seniors at a show. Select less difficult questions for Senior A Showmanship handlers. Also, select questions that are relevant and less difficult for beginning youth taking You and Your Dog. For State Fair Showmanship and You 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 2025 Ohio State Fair Dog Show Senior A and B Showmanship and You and Your Dog classes will come from this bank of questions. For Senior B Showmanship exhibitors, questions can also come from Junior and Intermediate question banks. For Senior You and Your Dog exhibitors, questions will come only from this question bank. Youth can find the answers to all of these questions in the Ohio 4-H Dog Resource Handbook ©2024 edition.

- Q1. What are the names and number(s) of vertebrae in a dog's skeletal anatomy, in order from head to tail?
- Q2. The Basset Hound and Afghan Hound are thought to be the descendent of what animal? This modern dogs' ancestor is involved in the development of the widest variety of dog breeds.
- Q3. What AKC dog groups are the following dogs in: (1) Barbet; (2) Sloughi; (3) Leonberger; (4) Biewer Terrier; (5) Chinook?
- Q4. When are purebred breeds admitted to the AKC Miscellaneous Class?
- Q5. What is the purpose of the AKC Foundation Stock Service?
- Q6. Overshot and undershot bites are comparative to which jaw?
- Q7. What is the definition of a rose ear?
- Q8. Describe the name and position of the tail carriage of the Finnish Spitz.
- Q9. Describe the conformation of an oval foot.

- Q10. Name the 2 brushes used to finish grooming a dog with a long coat, and name the types of coat that each brush is used on.
- Q11. What breed of dog would the Komondor and Puli coats look a lot like if groomed in that manner?
- Q12. What are 2 uses of the pin brush?
- Q13. When considering what breed of dog to own, why should you learn about their general breed temperaments?
- Q14. Why are mixed breed dogs sometimes less likely to have genetic health problems?
- Q15. When looking at a puppy's pedigree, why should you give more consideration to the sire and dam than to the grandsire and granddam?
- Q16. Between approximately how many weeks of age do puppies develop their primary social attachments?
- Q17. Why is it always important to observe the complete picture within the dog's environment when interpreting a dog's behavior?
- Q18. Why might a dog display signs of active submission behaviors?
- Q19. Compare how an aggressive dog might react to a person's stare, and a submissive dog react to a person's stare.
- Q20. What two general ways do dogs communicate when disciplining a pack member?
- Q21. What are 2 Canine Good Citizen (CGC) program opportunities for testing in addition to the original Canine Good Citizen test?
- Q22. What type of object must you have before you can begin Place Training a puppy or dog?
- Q23. Name 2 behaviors that might occur as a result of using harsh punishment on a puppy?
- Q24. Explain what the term "Marker Signal" means and when to use it.
- Q25. What are 2 of 3 things to remember when doing the Stand for Exam?
- Q26. What is the difference between the "A" and "B" classes in Open obedience?
- Q27. What does the dog error "Crowding" mean?
- Q28. In showmanship, what is 1 method of controlling your dog's head when stacking?
- Q29. In showmanship, when showing a small dog on a table, what are 2 reasons why you should never drop the dog into position?
- Q30. When stacking a dog, when is it permissible for you to put both knees on the ground or floor?

- Q31. Why is there no need to make direct eye contact with the judge during the gaiting pattern?
- Q32. In the Down and Back patterns, what are 2 reasons why you should learn how to switch hands, and therefore switch sides when you return to the judge?
- Q33. In showmanship, how many times should you change hands in the following patterns: “L” Pattern, Triangle Pattern, “T” Pattern?
- Q34. Briefly explain the difference between animal-assisted activities and animal-assisted therapy.
- Q35. What is another name for a dog’s wrist?
- Q36. What is the external anatomical term for coccygeal vertebrae?
- Q37. Describe the dolichocephalic head shape?
- Q38. What are 2 other terms for a dog’s stopper pad?
- Q39. In reference to a dog’s digestive system, what are 2 functions of chewing and the results of each function?
- Q40. What is canine influenza, or dog flu, caused by?
- Q41. Name 2 of the most common agents causing kennel cough. These can occur as one or in a combination of agents.
- Q42. Name the intermediate hosts of the following 2 types of tapeworms that are found in dogs: (1) *Diphylidium caninum* (*D. caninum*) and (2) *Taenia* species.
- Q43. What is the common term for the *Trombicula* mite, and where are these most often found on the dog?
- Q44. What are 2 ways ringworm can be transmitted to humans?
- Q45. Describe a dog with a body condition score of 3 (Moderate).
- Q46. How much moisture do the following types of dog foods typically contain? (Give the range): (1) Dry, (2) Semi-Moist, (3) Canned.
- Q47. What does the Guaranteed Analysis list on a dog food label?
- Q48. What is the biological reason a female dog may be fertilized by more than one male, resulting in a litter having more than one father?
- Q49. What does the term “close-coupled” mean?
- Q50. Where is the Stop on a dog located?