



**Colorado State 4H Dog Project  
Intermediate Showmanship Questions  
2019**

Q1.

What is the main function of carbohydrates in a dog's diet?

- A. Provide the dog with energy

Q2.

What is the ingredient in chocolate that interferes with a dog's heart function?

- A. Theobromine

Q3.

Name the two (2) categories minerals are usually divided into.

- A. Macro-minerals and Micro-minerals

Q4.

What word is defined as 'conduct becoming to an individual involving fair and honest competition, courteous relations, and graceful acceptance of results'?

- A. Sportsmanship

Q5.

Describe an Otter tail.

- A. Thick at the base, round and tapering, with the hair parted or divided on the underside

Q6.

What does the term, "bite," mean, when referring to a dog's conformation?

- A. The position of the upper and lower teeth when the mouth is closed

Q7.

Describe a Bloodhound's ear carriage and function.

- A. They have long drop ears that interfere with keen hearing but that help to gather scent

Q8.

Describe a sickle tail carriage.

- A. A tail that is carried out and up in a semi-circle, but not touching the back

Q9.

What kind of tissue attaches the dogs' forequarters to the body?

- A. Muscle

Q10.

What is the purpose of the forequarter?

- A. To carry more than half of the dog's weight and to help in forward motion and movement

Q11.

Describe a dog that is cow-hocked.

- A. Hocks that turn in toward one another and rear feet that toe out

Q12.

When stacking a dog, how might it appear if the hind legs are stretched back too far?

- A. The topline will appear to dip in the middle, presenting a swayback appearance

Q13.

“Forging” is a common dog error in obedience. What does this mean?

- A. When the dog is always in ahead of you while heeling. This can cause a tight leash.

Q14.

“Guiding” is a handler error. What does this mean?

- A. When the handler is actually pulling the dog around the ring

Q15.

What type of hair coat is found in the Puli, Komondor, and Poodle?

- A. Curly coat

Q16.

What body parts comprise a dog’s Topline?

- A. Nape of neck, Crest of neck, Withers, Back, Loin, Croup

Q17.

Name three (3) kinds of nail clippers used to trim dogs’ toenails.

- A. Guillotine style clipper, Scissor style clipper, Pliers type clipper, and Grinder (Dremel)

Q18.

Why should you not use human toothpaste when brushing a dog’s teeth?

- A. Dogs swallow when their teeth are brushed. The fluoride and foam in human toothpaste is not meant to be swallowed and can be harmful to your dog

Q19.

Name the seven (7) American Kennel Club Dog Groups

- A. Herding, Hound, Sporting, Non Sporting, Terrier, Toy, Working

Q20.

Why were toy breeds developed?

- A. To provide pleasure and companionship to their owners

At the State Dog Trial, as part of your Showmanship test, you will also have to identify **5** dog parts. The External Anatomy diagram can be found in the Anatomy and Physiology chapter of your dog manual. All parts should be studied.