



COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
EXTENSION

2022 Colorado State Fair Dog Show

Junior Showmanship Study Guide Revised

Question Bank for Youth Ages 8-10 as of 12-31-21

Show committees and judges: Please use these questions for tests or interview of youth for Junior Showmanship during the 2022 4-H project year. Question format or wording may change if it does not affect the correct answer.

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. If one question asks for multiple answers, then give partial credit for each correct answer.

Questions asked during the 2022 Colorado State Fair Dog Show Junior Showmanship Dog classes will come from this bank of questions. Changes in wording or format variations of these questions are permissible and may occur. Youth can find the answers to all of these questions in the Ohio State Dog Resource Handbook, © 2018.

Chapter 2 – Breeds

1. Name the seven AKC groups of dogs.
2. Dogs that are alert and bold are named after the Latin term for Earth. Which breed group is this?

Chapter 3 – Conformation

3. What is the bite of the dog?
4. Name one type of a dog's forequarters.
5. Name the four common types of a dog's bite.
6. What is the term for a dog whose hocks that turn in toward another and rear feet that toe out?
7. What are the four main eye shapes?
8. What is it called when discussing the form or structure of a particular dog?



Chapter 4 – Grooming

9. When grooming your dog, why should you pay special attention to those areas like behind the ears, under the elbows, in the groin and between the toes?
10. Why is it important to have styptic powder on hand?
11. Why is it important to do regular grooming, combing, and brushing of your dog's coat?
12. What should you use to trim the hair between your dog's pads?

Chapter 6 – Communication and Behavior

13. Name two things a dog's bark may mean.
14. Name three signs of stress in dogs?

Chapter 7 – Puppy Care and Socialization

15. When should you start grooming your puppy?

Chapter 11 – Showmanship

16. Once your dog is stacked, what is the general term for the food or object the handler would use to keep the dog's attention?
17. What is the first and most important step in stacking a dog?
18. What does the term gaiting mean?
19. Why do you use a courtesy turn with larger breeds of dogs?
20. When stacking the dog and the front legs are in position, what should you do next?
21. Why would you not stack your dog behind the examination table?
22. What AKC Toy breeds are typically shown on a table in Showmanship?
23. What pattern requires two turns but never a hand change?
24. When is the handler responsible for the control of their dogs?
25. When stacking your dog, you position which leg first?



26. After the judge has finished examining your dog, you are asked to gait your dog in one of four patterns. Name them.

27. What are the two parts that consist of training your dog for showmanship?

Chapter 16 – Health

28. What is one reason why a dog's anal glands are sometimes called scent glands?

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

30. What might pale gums and tongue be a sign of?

Chapter 15 – Anatomy and Physiology

Juniors should also study the external body parts of the dog located on page 130 and memorize the following:

Occiput	Skull	Muzzle	Brisket	Wrist
Pastern	Pad	Stifle Joint	Feathering	Withers
Neck	Chest	Hip	Point of Rump Stop	
Nose	Hock	Point of Shoulder		