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# The Humane Connection

The Newsletter of the Rockingham-Harrisonburg SPCA

## OUR FIRST “FUN & GAMES” ISSUE!

The excitement of the holiday season will soon be in the past—if it isn’t already by the time you read this issue. Even for those who like winter, the first quarter of the New Year can seem like it lasts forever. Cold, dark, rainy or snowy days can keep everyone indoors creating a bad case of the “stir-crazies”. For this reason, we thought it might be fun to create an issue full of games, stories and activities to help break up the monotony. This issue is, for the most part, designed for youth, but the grown-ups just might need to “pitch in” and help. Even if there are no children in your household, we hope the activities will entertain you at least for a bit. There’s more than one way to learn, too, so we hope some of the activities will tease your brain enough to make you want to learn more. If all of this fails...maybe some of the 16+ members of your household would like to learn how you can volunteer? Youth or adult...check out the last page for more information on our programs...maybe you’ll find one just right for you!



## Animal Career Matching Game

There are different careers that you can have working with animals. Test yourself to see how many you know: (Place the letter for the correct answer from the jobs list on the line next to each job description)

### A person who:

- 1 \_\_\_ Teaches dogs how to obey simple commands.
- 2 \_\_\_ Walks other people's dogs for a fee.
- 3 \_\_\_ Teaches other people how to have respect for all living things.
- 4 \_\_\_ Sells food and supplies for animals.
- 5 \_\_\_ Takes care of people's pets, giving them shots, exams and surgery when they need it.
- 6 \_\_\_ Cleans cages and cares for pets when they are lost or their owners can't anymore.
- 7 \_\_\_ Enforces laws to protect animals in a town or city.
- 8 \_\_\_ Takes animals to visit people in hospitals, nursing homes or who can't get out and go places.

### Jobs:

- A. Pet store clerk
- B. Animal Control Officer
- C. Veterinarian
- D. Shelter kennel worker
- E. Humane Educator
- F. Dog walker
- G. Animal assisted therapist
- H. Dog trainer

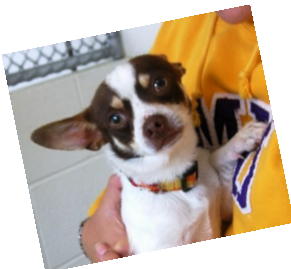
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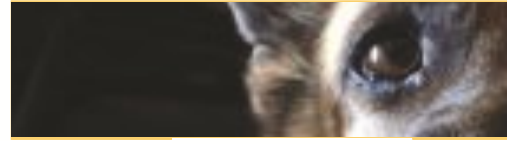


## DOG BREED WORD SCRAMBLE

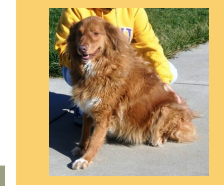
|    | Scramble                    | Answer |
|----|-----------------------------|--------|
| 1  | uhhaihuCa                   |        |
| 2  | Baegle                      |        |
| 3  | vieeeabdtrRrrraoL (2 words) |        |
| 4  | Pdlooe                      |        |
| 5  | rreDehsnibomaPnc (2 words)  |        |
| 6  | rlliTueBerr (2 words)       |        |
| 7  | oolBilerder (2 words)       |        |
| 8  | peSndGramrhehe (2words)     |        |
| 9  | Cllioe                      |        |
| 10 | teGeDanar (2 words)         |        |

Answer key on page 5





## PROPER PET CARE WORD SEARCH



S R E P P I L C L I A N B A  
 Y Z S S K L A W S C R A T E  
 C T C E N P R E U S B W S E  
 T U C C L H W H Y H S E L R  
 J B J M Q D H G Q O M H E X  
 I Z P Q Q D D C M T Y T H O  
 Z E O N A E L U L S A D U B  
 C L S W R B D J C W S X W R  
 L Z F S B R U S H Z H A B E  
 I C M M T T O Y S A E Z R T  
 C W R R X G F O O D L F U T  
 K L E L E A S H H Z T O R I  
 E U K M C R U M O N E Y D L  
 R K X C O L L A R R R E H I

|         |               |
|---------|---------------|
| bed     | litter box    |
| brush   | money         |
| clicker | nail clippers |
| collar  | shelter       |
| crate   | shots         |
| cuddles | toys          |
| Food    | walks         |
| leash   | Water         |

No answer key...if you find all of the words, the puzzle is correct!

# All Things Cat



## Word Scramble Answer Key

| SCRAMBLE         | ANSWER             |
|------------------|--------------------|
| uhhaihuCa        | Chihuahua          |
| Baegle           | Beagle             |
| viceebdtrRrrraoL | Labrador Retriever |
| Pdlooe           | Poodle             |
| rreDehsnibomaPnc | Doberman Pinscher  |
| rlliTueBerr      | Bull Terrier       |
| ooCIBilderder    | Border Collie      |
| peSndGramrhehe   | German Shepherd    |
| Cllioe           | Collie             |
| teGeDanar        | Great Dane         |

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VOEL TIPNAC

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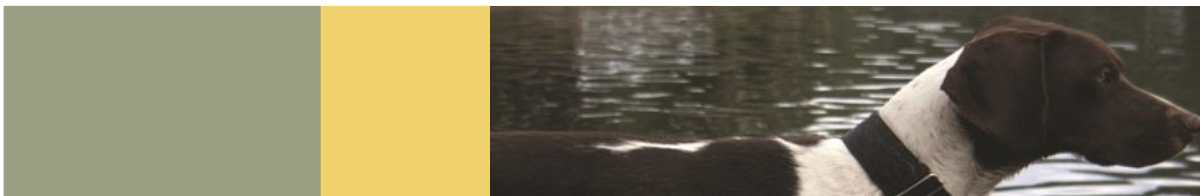
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Answers on page. 6.

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**Still Bored? Check out these opportunities....**

**Children ages 6—12....Join the “Kid’s Club”**

- Meetings 3rd Saturday of each month at 1:00 pm
- \$10 quarterly fee to cover materials
- Fun activities, crafts and guest speakers

**Youth ages 13—15....Apply for the Mentorship program**

- Attend Basic Volunteer Orientation
- Participate in a “Job Interview” with the Executive Director
- Work side-by-side with a staff mentor

**Adults ages 16+....Volunteer as a Pet Socializer, Showcase Assistant, Foster parent, etc...**

- Attend Basic Volunteer Orientation
- Complete profile indicating desired activities
- Attend additional training sessions (if required)

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**All Things Cat Answer Key:**

- Litter Box
  - Purr
  - Nap
  - Claws
  - Chase mice
  - Love catnip
  - Tabby
  - Tuxedo
  - Nocturnal
  - Whiskers
- Message word: *Siamese*



Place  
Stamp  
Here