

What Do You Know About Guide Dogs?

Module 3 Guide Dogs



Read through the information on the website <http://www.abwa.asn.au/index.html> and answer the quiz questions below.

The First Guide Dogs



Guide dogs were first used to guide the blind in what year? _____

Who found the Institute for the Blind in Vienna at that time?

A school was started to train dogs and it only received international attention 100 years later after the First World War. Why did it become more popular?

A man named Dr Cook brought the first guide dog to Australia. What was that dog's name? _____

Australia's first guide dog centre opened in which city? _____

Breeds



Why are Labradors chosen as Australia's Guide Dogs?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

How many puppies are bred every year? _____

How many puppies are born in a litter? _____

When does a puppy leave its mother to commence training? _____

Puppy Raising



A puppy is placed within a family to learn socialisation. Often these families have children. Why do you think the puppies are placed in families with children?

The puppy raisers teach the puppy new skills. What are some of these skills?

Part of the training involves socialisation. Where do the puppy raisers take the puppy to help it learn socialisation?

How old is a puppy when it is assessed for its suitability as a guide dog?

What happens to dogs that are seen as unsuitable?

How long does a new guide dog work with a trainer and its new owner?

The Working Life of a Guide Dog



Guide Dogs are trained to do many jobs during their working time. What are some of the jobs they are required to do?

How does a guide dog know it is on duty? _____

How old are guide dogs when they retire? _____