## Pondering Pets <br> - Excerpt



In many parts of the world, cats and dogs are the most popular pets, but what do you really know about them? The answers to the quiz that follows are based on scientific studies, not on your favorite pet which is, of course, the best and brightest on Earth.
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## Trivia quiz: Cats and Dogs

1. Uses its tail to express happiness

Cat $\qquad$ Both $\qquad$

Note that the accompanying photos are random and are not meant to reflect the answers.

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1. Uses its tail to express happiness Cat ___ Dog __ Both X_

The dog wags its tail; the cat holds it straight up. (The cat is sometimes seen as arrogant in doing so.)

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2. 2. Uses its tail for balance

Cat $\qquad$ Dog $\qquad$
Both $\qquad$

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2. Uses its tail for balance

Cat X Dog $\qquad$ Both $\qquad$
The cat has about 10\% of its bones in its tail and uses it to land upright when it falls.

## Did you know?



Dogs' eyes have large pupils and a wide field of vision, making them really good at following moving objects (like ceiling fans).

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## Did you know?

A cat cannot see directly under its nose. This is why the cat cannot seem to find tidbits on the floor.

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Cat $\qquad$

> Dog
$\qquad$
Both $\qquad$ _

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Cat $\qquad$

| Dog |
| :--- |
| Both |

While both have whiskers, cats lack a true collarbone enabling them to squeeze into places that dogs of equal size often cannot.


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6. Is found in ancient Egyptian art Cat $\qquad$ Dog _ Both X
But cats were considered sacred; dogs were not.

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7. Sweats through the pads on its feet

Cat Dog $\qquad$
Both $\qquad$

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## Cats and Dogs

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Cat $\qquad$
Dog $X$
Both $\qquad$

Cats have no sweat glands at all.

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Cat $\qquad$ Dog $\qquad$ Both $\qquad$


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Cat X Dog ___ Both__
These are the only three mammals to walk like this.


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9. Hears more than three times better than humans

Cat $\qquad$
Dog $\qquad$ Both $\qquad$

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Cat Dog X
Both $\qquad$
Dogs have such acute hearing that they are thought to navigate more by sound and smell than sight.

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Cat $\qquad$
Dog $\qquad$


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Cat X
Dog $\qquad$


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