

A Visit to the Vet: Dogs

Lesson Title: *Pets: Oh Behave*

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Use the following Animal Hospital resource to learn more about dog behavior.



Ask the Behaviorist: Dogs

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/vets/ask.html>

Below is a list of questions regarding dog behaviors. The date signifies when the question was asked and is where the question and response can be found on the website. After you read the animal behaviorists' advice, write down your ideas about what is causing the behavior and how it might be changed. Tell whether the behavior is innate, learned, or perhaps both.

Feb. 6 - George is picking fights with Jojo. What can be done?	
Feb. 6 - Bailey, a howling basset hound, is driving her owner batty. Any advice?	
Feb. 12 - This Terrier loves to dig. What is causing this?	
Feb. 12 - The brother of 4-yr-old golden retriever bit a child. Why?	

Describe a dog behavior with which you're familiar.

Dog Behavior:	Do you think this behavior is particular to dogs or do other animals do it as well?
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Now describe an innate human behavior.

Human Behavior:	Describe whether this behavior is unique to the human species.
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