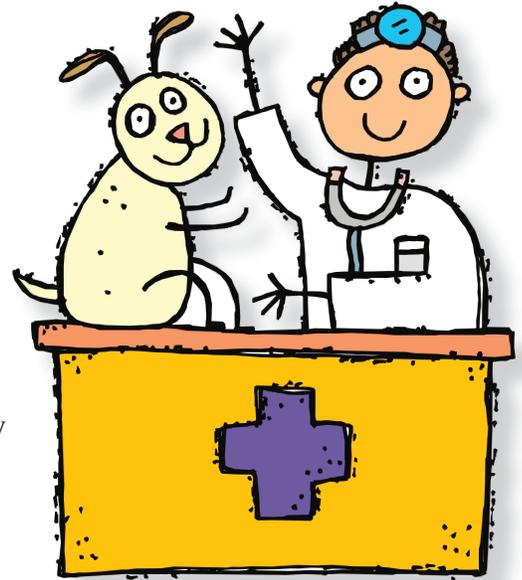


What is a Veterinarian?



A veterinarian is a doctor who takes care of animals. Veterinarians take care of cats and dogs as well as farm animals such as horses and cows and wild animals such as zebras and birds. A veterinarian knows how to keep your pet healthy and happy. Having a veterinarian for your pet is very important. *Your Veterinarian is...The Other Family Doctor and Your Pet's Best Friend for Life.*

How much do you know about your pet?

- 1) My pet's name is _____.
- 2) My pet's veterinarian is _____.
- 3) My pet is spayed neutered (check one).
- 4) My pet's birthday is _____.
- 5) The last time my pet went to the veterinarian was _____.
- 6) I gave my pet a bath on _____.
- 7) I play with my pet _____ times each day.
- 8) I feed my pet every day at _____ a.m./p.m.
- 9) The name of my pet's food is _____.
- 10) My pet's teeth were last brushed on _____.



Pets need you to:

- Keep them well by taking them to their veterinarian for yearly health exams
- Keep them clean with regular baths, ear cleanings, nail trims, and proper dental care
- Teach them good habits (no biting, jumping, or begging)
- Give them lots of exercise – this makes your pet feel better
- Give them good food to eat and lots of fresh water each day
- Get them spayed or neutered (surgery that prevents your pet from being able to produce puppies or kittens)
- Give them lots of love, understanding, and patience
- Spend time with them. Just as you like to be hugged and told that you are loved, so does your pet

By doing all of these things, you will develop a loyal, lifelong friend.



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