



Basic ways to care for your dog!

Key Focus: Learning how to correctly care for a dog.

Grade Level: K-6

Overview	The students will be learning the basic ways on how to correctly care for a dog. They will also learn how to write their essay on a dog on the web tool "Google Writer (Docs).
Objective	<p><i>After doing this lesson, students should be able to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know different types of dogs • Know how to care for different dogs • Be able to
Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Standard 2: READING: Comprehension</i> • <i>Standard 4: WRITING: Process</i>
Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog Coloring Books (One for each student) • Dog Book for Kids (One for each student) • Brochures on Dogs (One for each student) • Dog worksheets (One for each student) • Crayons or markers • Paper
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. First I will bring my dog into the classroom. I will introduce it and tell about what kind of breed the dog is. 2. I will show a DVD about caring for dogs. Once the DVD is done, I will ask the students if they have their own dogs. I will also ask some of them to describe to me how their care for their dog every day. 3. I will show the students all the items needed to properly care for a dog. These items include: food & water dish, food, leash, collar, ID tag, bed, etc. I will describe each item and tell why it is important in caring for the dog. 4. I will show how to properly groom my dog and explain the different types of coats. Double-coated dogs need special

	<p>grooming tools so the owners take a longer time when grooming. I will also tell the children that tick & flea prevention is a very important item to have for your dog.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. I will ask the children if dogs have thumbs. Since they don't, I will ask how he brushes his teeth or clips his nails. I will show them how I do it and remind them that since I am the owner I am responsible for his care. 6. I will explain obedience training and tell why it is important. Then ask the students what some basic things to train a dog are. (Sit, stay, come, heel, down.) 7. In the summer dogs can't sit in a vehicle with windows rolled up, so I will tell the students why that isn't allowed. They also need to have shaded areas and plenty of drinking water. 8. Once I am finished explaining the importance of caring for dogs, I will explain to the children their assignment.
Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The students have to use Google Writer to write an essay about their favorite breed of dog and write about the ways that they can properly care for that particular breed. They will also have to "share" their work with all the students in the class and myself. They will have one week to complete this assignment. • Dog worksheets will need to be completed for the next class. • Each student will have their own dog coloring book, which includes the different breeds of dogs, and they can color in that if they would like. • There are brochures for each student to have, they can look through those if they would like also.