The welfare, behaviour, and exercising dogs Cluster

ACMGEN303 - Assess the welfare status of an animal
ACMBEH301 - Identify behaviours and interact safely with animals
ACMGEN308 - Walk and exercise dogs

Session #1

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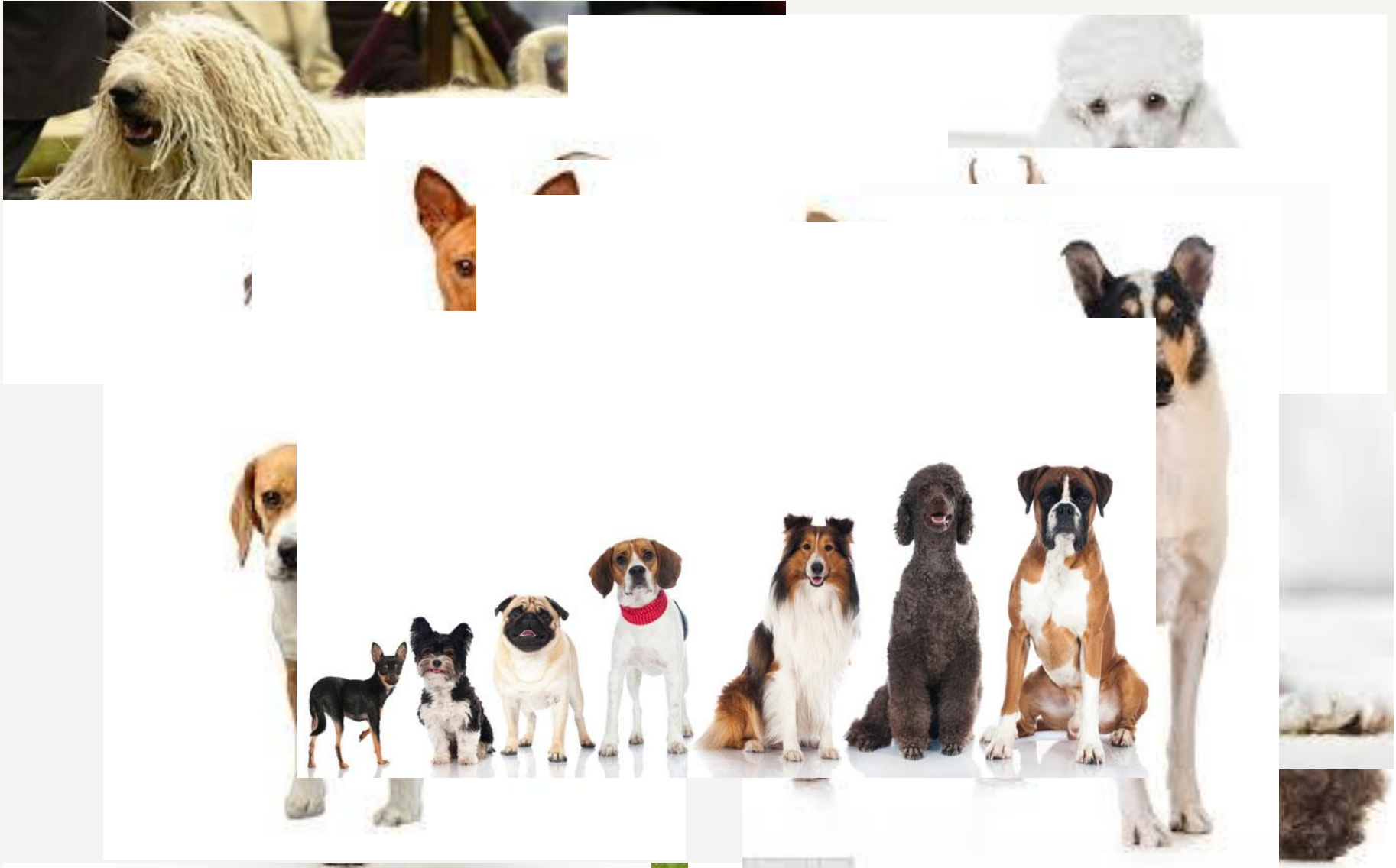ACMGEN303: None
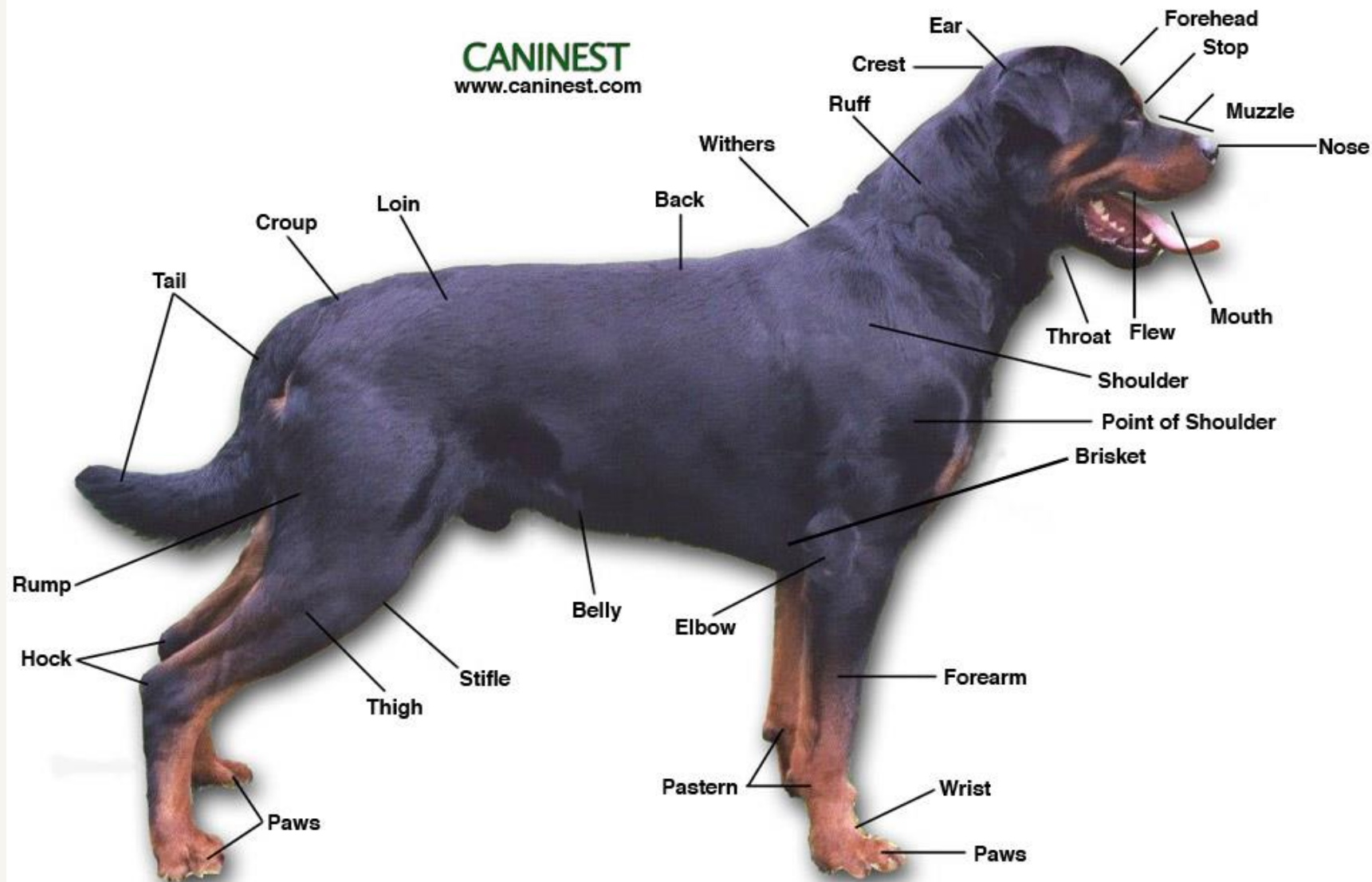ACMBEH301: 1.2, 2.1, 2.2
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Engagement Activity

- What do you already know about identifying dogs?
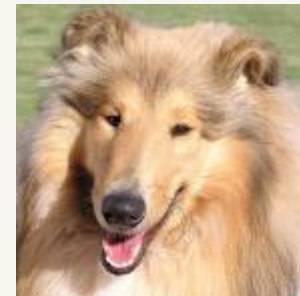
What is a dog?

Physical Features

Head

Skull/Snout Shapes

| Doliocephalic (long-nosed) | Mesocephalic | Brachycephalic | Extreme Brachycephalic (short-nosed) |

Ears

Ear Shapes in 374 Breeds of Dogs

Semi-drop 5%
Various
Docked 5%
Rose 5%
Erect 21%
Drop 62%

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Drop
Erect
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Various
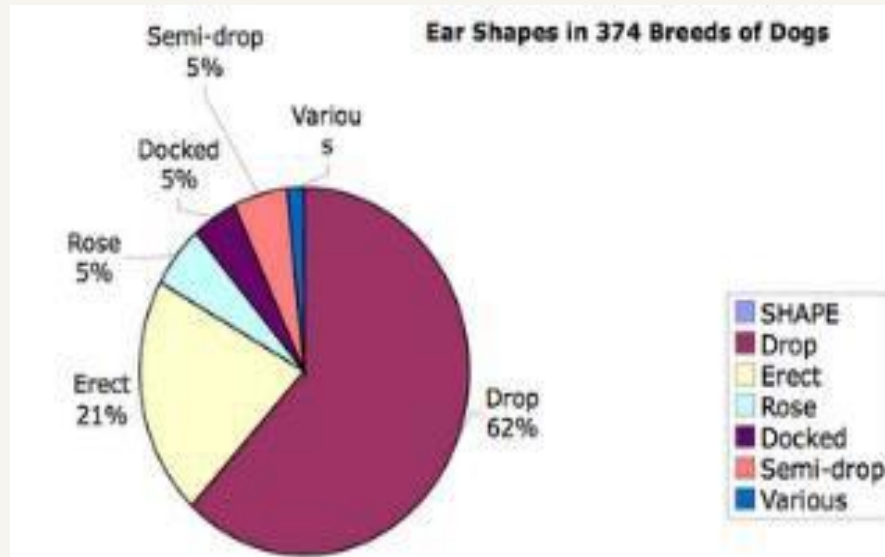
How else are dogs distinguished from eachother?

Identification of dogs in a shelter/kennel

- What should we want to know?

Name

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Breed/Breed group

Age

Colour

Other internal/business identification methods

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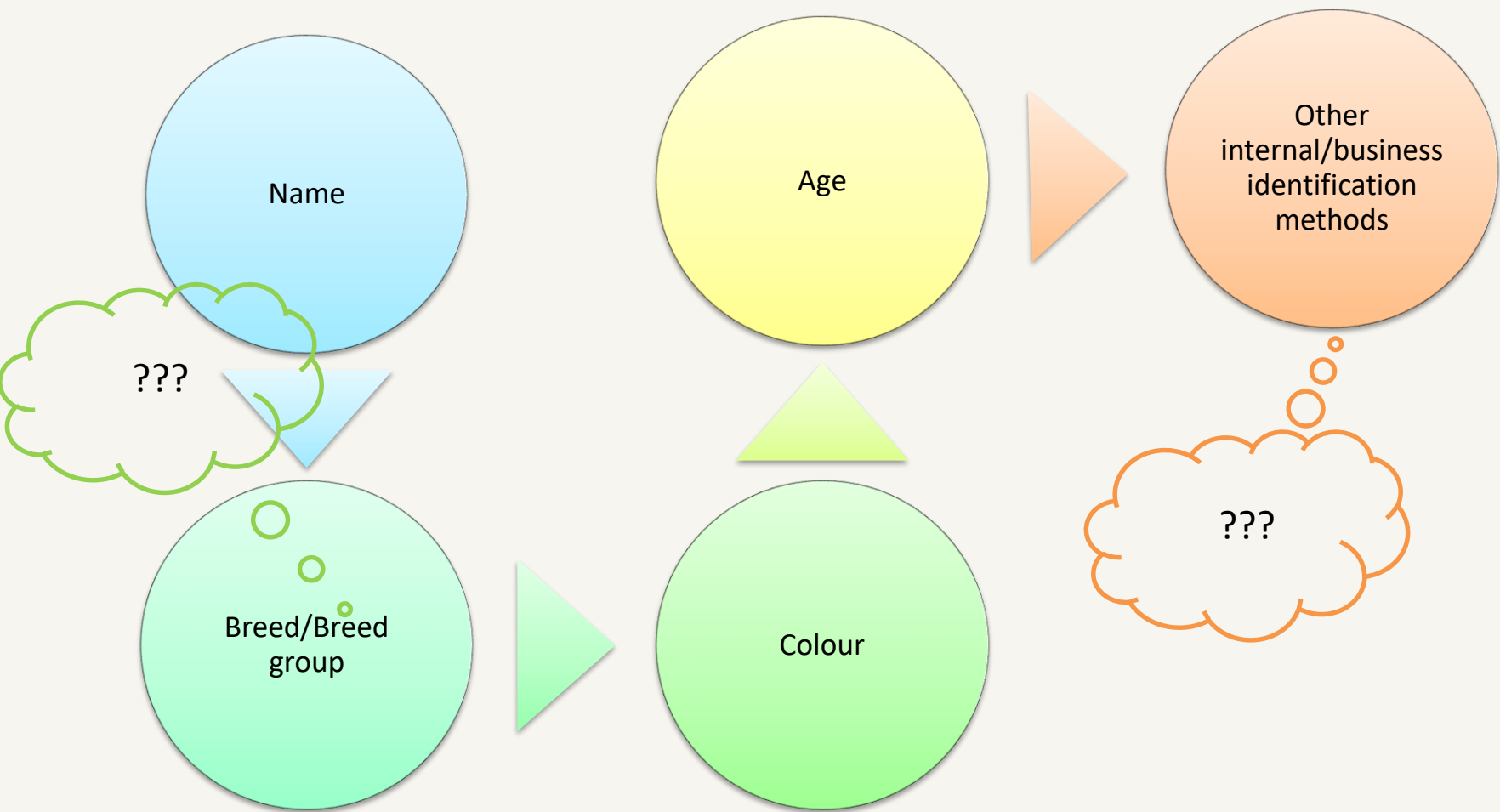| Overall Rank 2021	Breed	Type / Classification	2020	2021	YoY%	YoY Ranking Change +/-
1	Golden Retriever	Sporting / Gundog Group	1,094,000	1,722,000	57%	1
2	Border Collie	Herding Group	928,500	1,519,500	64%	2
3	German Shepherd	Working Group	898,000	1,440,000	60%	3
4	Cavoodle	Working Group	867,500	1,420,500	64%	4
5	Border Collie	Miscellaneous Class	1,533,500	1,336,500	-13%	-4
6	Pomeranian	Toy Group	856,500	1,287,000	50%	1
7	Bulldog	Non - Sporting Group	643,200	1,128,500	75%	7
8	Shiba Inu	Utility Group	523,600	991,600	89%	17
9	Labrador	Sporting / Gundog Group	676,000	986,000	46%	34
10	Greyhound	Hound Group	802,000	981,000	22%	6
11	Beagle	Hound Group	640,000	950,000	48%	2
12	Cane Corso	Utility Group	473,700	941,600	99%	10
13	French Bulldog	Non - Sporting Group	1,054,500	937,500	-11%	-10
14	Australian Shepherd	Working Group	909,000	924,000	2%	-10
15	Dachshund	Hound Group	584,000	919,000	57%	4
16	Cocker Spaniel	Sporting / Gundog Group	529500	901,500	70%	1
17	Great Dane	Non - Sporting Group	552,800	881,000	59%	6
18	Bull Terrier	Terrier Group	573,000	859,000	50%	0
19	Chow Chow	Non - Sporting Group	556,600	834,000	50%	2
20	Chihuahua	Toy Group	538,200	832,000	55%	0
21	Samoyed	Utility Group	545600	790,200	45%	1
22	Chusky	Miscellaneous Group	521400	779,200	49%	2
23	Bernese Mountain Dog	Utility Group	477,600	777,200	63%	-3
24	Tibetan Mastiff	Utility Group	443,000	704,000	59%	1
25	Poodle	Non-Sporting Group	422,200	695,200	65%	-1

History of dogs

- Though we often don't think about them in this way, the history of individual dog breeds is really about people!

- Figures who developed particular breeds for particular tasks

- Some breeds —like the Doberman Pinscher—owe their existence to just one visionary person.

- Other breeds were brought into being by specific cultures or classes of people.

Coats that evolved to survive the local climate

Body styles developed to navigate native terrains

Characters that fit into the social mores of the day

What are some of these breeds best known for (ie behaviours/job roles/temperaments)?

- Ie:
    - <u>Golden Retrievers</u> = friendly, gentle mouths to retrieve shot fowl/bird during hunt
    - <u>Border Collie</u> = highly intelligent, energy++++++++, herding
    - ???

Breed group

- [ANKC](#) or [Dogs Victoria](#) both have great databases of info
  - [Toy](#)
  - [Terrier](#)
  - [Gundog](#)
  - [Hound](#)
  - [Working Dogs](#)
  - [Utility](#)
  - [Non Sporting](#)

Toy Group

- The diminutive breeds of the Toy Group come in enough coat types and colors to satisfy nearly any preference, but all are small enough to fit comfortably in the lap of their adored humans.

- In a way, toys dogs are their own version of working dogs: they work hard at being attentive, affectionate companions.

Terrier Group

- First bred to go underground in pursuit of rodents and other vermin.
  - Long-legged terrier breeds: dig out vermin
  - Short-legged terrier breeds: burrow in after them

Gundog Group

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Hound Group

- Bred to pursue warm-blooded quarry
- –Sleek, long-legged **sight**hounds use explosive speed and wide vision to chase swift prey, like jackrabbits and antelope
- –Tough, durable **scent**hounds rely on powerful noses to trail anything from raccoons to escaped convicts.
- –Members of the Hound Group possess strong prey drives.

(Sight or Scent)Hound?

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Scenthound

Sighthound

Possesses a precaudal gland that typically most sighthounds don't have

Thick African bush requires scentwork to locate quarry not sight

Stamina through developed lung capacity

Agility and speed by the boatload

Utility Group

- Dogkind's punch-the-clock, blue-collar workers, and the group includes some of the world's most ancient breeds.

- •They were developed to assist humans in some capacity –including pulling sleds and carts, guarding flocks and homes, and protecting their families –and many of these breeds are still used as working dogs today.

- •Breeds in the Working Group tend to be known for imposing stature, strength, and intelligence.

The Boxer

- Ancestors can be traced back to 2500 BC with Assyrian war dogs
- One of the first police dogs. They've done many jobs in society over the years.
  - For instance, they've been war dogs, guard dog, herding dogs, police dog, watchdogs, board/bison hunting dogs and fighting dogs.

The Rottweiler

- Developed to be herding dogs initially
- Then tasked to be a butcher's aide:
  - No thieves dared to steal meat from the cart pulled by this breed from town to town
  - Pouches of money collected at the market hung around their necks.
  - When the market closed, Rottweilers accompanied their butchers on the way to the bank to make sure no one attempted to rob them.

Working Group

- Breeds developed for moving livestock, including sheep, cattle, and even reindeer.
- Working dogs work closely with their human shepherds, and their natural intelligence and responsiveness makes them highly trainable.
- Today, some Working breeds, such as the German Shepherd Dog, are commonly trained for police work.
- The high levels of energy found in Working Group breeds means finding them a job is recommended, to occupy the mind before they begin herding small children at home!
- Herding behaviours are very strong in this group. The Collie Walk is a fun behavior to see at the park! ☺

- [VIDEO: Pembroke Welsh Corgi History: Centuries-Old Cattle Herder to Family Pet (akc.org)](#)

- [VIDEO: Facebook](#)

- [VIDEO: Maremma Sheep Dogs – YouTube](#)
  - [Article: Australia Deploys Sheepdogs to Save a Penguin Colony - The New York Times (nytimes.com)](#)

Non-sporting Group

- The breeds of the Non-Sporting Group have two things in common: wet noses and four legs. After that, there's not much shared by this patchwork group of breeds whose job descriptions defy categorization in the six other groups, though they all have fascinating histories.

- Today, the varied breeds of the Non-Sporting Group are largely sought after as companion animals, as they were all developed to interact with people in some capacity.

Activity:

- In pairs, pick a dog from the Non-sporting Group list

- Research the history of your breed

- Write on the board/in the chat what you have found (job history? Origin info? Breed crossings? Fun facts?)

- You have 15 minutes ☺

So what about hybrid vigor?

- noun: **hybrid vigor**
- the tendency of a cross-bred individual to show qualities superior to those of both parents.

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Records

- Computer?
- Whiteboard?
- Cage card?
- Info sheet?
  - Might have identifying factors PLUS medical conditions, health and vaccination status, behavioural concerns, notes etc which are very helpful for an animal attendant

Patient

Toby (MN)
Patient ID: 100467
Date of Birth: 07-29-2014
6 years 9 months 29 days
Canine (Dog)
26.00kg

Complete History

Demeanors

😬 Anxious ✏️

🟠 Shy