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Webquest for Pets

One of the fastest ways of getting information is right under your fingertips. With a few computer keystrokes, you can type out a question and have the answer in seconds.

On your own—or with a team of classmates—find the answers to the following questions. Challenge yourself to correctly answer them as quickly as possible.

Search Tips: If a Web site isn't given, use a search engine such as www.ask.com, www.google.com, or www.dogpile.com. Type out your question ("How many dogs are in the U.S.?") or some key words ("life span of cat") in the search box. Hit "enter" on your keyboard or click "go," "search," or "fetch" on your screen.

1. How many dogs are kept as pets in this country?
2. How about cats?
3. Is dogfighting legal in certain states in the U.S.?
4. What is a puppy mill?
5. How long does the average indoor cat live?
6. What is the usual life span of a cat allowed outside?
7. List three illnesses for which dogs need vaccine shots. Spelling counts!
8. Do the same for cats
9. What is the name and address of an animal shelter in your state or county?
What days and times is the shelter open?
What are three different services the shelter provides?
10. Go to www.drkind.org. What is the question of the month? Write your own response in four sentences or less.

Choose a topic from this worksheet and research it in greater detail online. On the back, write a brief report about it.