CATS AND DOGS: KNOW YOUR ANIMALS

Participant Information Statement/Consent Form here

Demographic information

1. What year were you born? *(dropdown list from 1900-2004)*

2. What is your gender?
   - ○ Male
   - ○ Female
   - ○ Prefer to self-describe
   - ○ Prefer not to say

3. Which country do you live in? *(auto-populate list of countries)*

4. What is your nationality? *(auto-populate list of countries)*

5. How do you think your household income compares to that found in an average home in your city or town?
   - ○ Much lower
   - ○ Somewhat lower
   - ○ About the same
   - ○ Somewhat higher
   - ○ Much higher

6. Please indicate how many people live in your city or town
   - ○ Less than 5,000 people
   - ○ Between 5,000 and 200,000 people
   - ○ Between 200,000 and 1 million
   - ○ More than 1 million

7. What is your highest level of education?
   - ○ Primary or middle school
   - ○ High school
   - ○ Technical/trade school/TAFE
   - ○ University
   - ○ Other (please write) _____
   - ○ I'd rather not say

8. Have you ever had contact with animals as part of your work or study?
   - ○ Yes – Currently
   - ○ Yes – In the past but not currently
   - ○ No – Never

(if yes to work or study with animals)

9. Please indicate whether you have studied or work in any animal-related areas. Please select all that apply.
   - ☐ Veterinary medicine
   - ☐ Veterinary technician
   - ☐ Biologist
   - ☐ Dog trainer/behaviourist
   - ☐ Other (please write) _____

10. Have you ever owned or lived with a pet?
    - ○ Yes – Currently
    - ○ Yes – In the past but not currently
    - ○ No – I have never owned or lived with a pet

(if yes - own currently)

Which of the following pets do you currently have? Please select all that apply.

- ☐ One or more cats
- ☐ One or more dogs
- ☐ Another animal (please write) _____

ALL ABOUT DOGS

Please answer honestly

11. WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS?
    Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.

	COMPLETELY DISAGREE	SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE	SOMEWHAT AGREE	COMPLETELY AGREE
Dogs love being hugged.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dogs only see in black and white	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dogs age 7 years for every human year	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
When a dog eats grass, that means he's not feeling well	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dog parks are perfect for socialising puppies.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dogs can eat any human foods.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dogs need to know who's in charge	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If a dog is wagging her tail, that means she's happy	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Mild physical punishment is an appropriate way to train dogs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
There's nothing wrong with smacking a dog with a rolled-up newspaper	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If a male dog is aggressive, the best solution is to neuter him.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If a puppy is touched by a human, the mother will reject her.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Aggression is primarily related to the breed and size of the dog.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It's normal for a dog to bark, whine, and destroy things when left at home alone.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It's normal for a dog to be aggressive towards other dogs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It's normal for a dog to be aggressive towards strangers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It's normal for a dog to be aggressive towards cats	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It's normal for a dog to be aggressive towards other animals	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

It’s normal for a dog to be aggressive towards people on bicycles or skates	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It’s normal for a dog to be aggressive towards children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The best way to help a fearful dog is to expose her to her fears.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
The best way to help a fearful dog is to punish him	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If your dog urinates indoors, you should push her nose into the urine	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
In some breeds, dogs go crazy as they get older because their brain grows too big	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dogs know when they’ve done something bad. That’s why they look guilty when their owners come home and see what they’ve done	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dogs misbehave to punish their owner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Some breeds, like Doberman Pinschers or Rottweilers, don’t recognise their owners at night	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If dogs eat raw meat, they’ll become aggressive	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Small dogs don’t need to go out	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dogs aren’t meant for apartment living	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If you have a dog, you need a garden/yard	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If you have a big dog, you need a big house and garden/yard.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Only puppies can learn to love their owner; adult dogs can’t	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Don’t look a dog in the eye	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If your dog is scared or crying, you should ignore him so you don’t reinforce his fears	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
You should go through the door before the dog	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dogs should eat after we do	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
A dog must never bite her owner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

A dog that has tasted blood will become aggressive again	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Put your hand in the food bowl to each your dog not to become possessive of food	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Old dogs don't need to play	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dogs need to be bathed often	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If a dog's nose is dry, that means she's not feeling well.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It's possible to catch covid-19 from pet dogs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

ALL ABOUT CATS

Please answer honestly

12. WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS?
    Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.

	COMPLETELY DISAGREE	SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE	SOMEWHAT AGREE	COMPLETELY AGREE
Cats get attached to the house, not people.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats rub against our legs to show affection	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats scratch furniture out of disrespect	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats urinate outside the litterbox out of disrespect	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Picking a cat up by the scruff of her neck is a good way to calm her.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats are solitary animals	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats get more attached to their territory than to their owner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats suffocate babies while they are asleep in their crib.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
When a cat purrs, that means he's happy.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats don't need to go outside	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It's impossible to train cats	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats meow to communicate with each other	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats hate water	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats are 'low maintenance' pets	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
A cat who is crouched on her front paws wants to be petted.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Cats can see in total darkness	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Pregnant women should not live with cats due to the risk of toxoplasmosis.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats need to drink milk	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats love being touched on their belly.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If a cat jumps on your lap, that means he wants to be petted	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Black cats bring bad luck	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cats can fall from high places without getting hurt	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
If a cat meows, that means he's hungry.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
It's possible to catch covid-19 from pet cats	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Thank you for filling out this survey. If you want to find out which of the survey statements are fact and which are fiction, or if you just want to learn more about dog and cat behaviour, please check out this document (attach 'myth busting' file).