

Teaching Trunks

Dogs: Wolf, Myth, Hero & Friend

Today, we know dogs as pets so loved by people that they are considered “one of the family,” or “man’s best friend.” But it was only after millennia of selective breeding and domestication that dogs became the pets that are so popular today. Dogs actually come in a variety of types, both domesticated and wild, including wolves, coyotes, and foxes. The Dogs Teaching Trunk is full of information, legends, and stories about both tame and wild canines. There are also activity packs that teach students how to identify particular qualities of dogs such as tracks and body language, how to take care of a dog at home, what the importance of guide, or seeing-eye, dogs is, and other pertinent issues.

Kit Contents

Educator’s Notebook

- With background information and classroom activities

Books

- Dogs by Amanda O’Neill
- Dogs with Jobs by Merrily Weisbord & Kim Kachanoff, D.V.M.
- Eyewitness Dog , by Juliette Clutton-Brock
- Wolves , Scholastic by Carolyn B. Otto
- Zoobooks Wolves
- Chewy Louie by Howie Schneider
- Little Red Riding Hood by Brothers Grimm, retold by Trina Schart Hyman
- Lon Po Po by Ed Young
- Looking Out for Sarah by Glenna Lang
- Rugby & Rosie by Nan parson Rossiter
- Stickeen by John Muir, as retold by Donnell Rubay
- The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig by Eugene Trivizas

Posters

- The AKC Guide to Purebred Dogs
- National Wolf Awareness, 2002

Activity Packs

- Assistance Dogs Vest Pack
- Body Language Activity Pack
- Camouflaged Critters Activity Pack
- Pet Care Activity Pack
- The Scoop from Poop
- Canine Tracks

Artifacts

- Plush Dogs: “Otis” and “Rosie”
- Guide Dog Harness, leather
- Little Red Riding Hood Flip Doll
- The Scoop from Poop exhibit (scat comparison)
- Gray Wolf skull replica
- Domestic Dog skull replica
- Arctic Fox pelt
- Coyote pelt
- Gray Fox pelt