Pet Dog Behavior Study Questionnaire

Start of Block: A Little About You

Why did you decide to participate in this survey?

* I love dogs
* To help shelter animals
* My dog may have a behavior problem
* I work with animals
* Other

Email address:   
\* must provide value

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End of Block: A Little About You

Start of Block: Who Is Your Canine Companion

If you multiple dogs, please fill in separate surveys for each.   
You will be given an opportunity to do so after you submit this survey.

Canine companion name:

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End of Block: Who Is Your Canine Companion

Start of Block: A Little Bit About [dog\_name]

Is [dog\_name] a purebred?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Is [dog\_name] a purebred? = Yes

Is the breed recognized by the AKC?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Is the breed recognized by the AKC? = Yes

Please select a breed:

▼ affenpinscher ... yorkshire terrier

Display This Question:

If Is the breed recognized by the AKC? = No

Please enter the breed:

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Display This Question:

If Is [dog\_name] a purebred? = No

Do you know the breed composition for [dog\_name]?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Do you know the breed composition for [dog\_name]? = Yes

Please list the breed composition:

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Where did you acquire [dog\_name]?

* Online - rescue
* Online - purchase
* Pet store
* Shelter/rescue
* Breeder
* Self-bred
* Friend/family member

Was [dog\_name] older than 12 months when acquired?

* Yes
* I don't know
* No

Display This Question:

If Was [dog\_name] older than 12 months when acquired? = No

Please enter the age of [dog\_name] when acquired:  
(in months)

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Display This Question:

If Was [dog\_name] older than 12 months when acquired? = Yes

Please enter the age of [dog\_name] when acquired:  
(in years)

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Is [dog\_name] older than 12 months today?

* Yes
* I don't know
* No

Display This Question:

If Is [dog\_name] older than 12 months today? = No

Please enter the current age of [dog\_name]:  
(in months)

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Display This Question:

If Is [dog\_name] older than 12 months today? = Yes

Please enter the current age of [dog\_name]:  
(in years)

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What gender is [dog\_name]?

* Male
* Female

Is [dog\_name] spayed/neutered?

* Yes
* I don't know
* No

Display This Question:

If Is [dog\_name] spayed/neutered? = Yes

Was [dog\_name] spayed/neutered before 12 months of age?

* Yes
* I don't know
* No

Display This Question:

If Was [dog\_name] spayed/neutered before 12 months of age? = Yes

How old was [dog\_name] when spayed/neutered?  
(in months)

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Display This Question:

If Was [dog\_name] spayed/neutered before 12 months of age? = No

How old was [dog\_name] when spayed/neutered?  
(in years)

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Do you know how much [dog\_name] weighs?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Do you know how much [dog\_name] weighs? = Yes

Please enter the current weight of [dog\_name]:

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End of Block: A Little Bit About [dog\_name]

Start of Block: How Does [dog\_name] Behave

Do you believe [dog\_name] has ever had a behavior problem?

* Yes
* I don't know
* No

Display This Question:

If Do you believe [dog\_name] has ever had a behavior problem? = Yes

Was the behavior problem evident at the time of acquisition?

* Yes
* I don't know
* No

Display This Question:

If Was the behavior problem evident at the time of acquisition? = No

Do you remember the age of [dog\_name] when you first noticed the behavior problem?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Do you remember the age of [dog\_name] when you first noticed the behavior problem? = Yes

Did you notice the behavior problem within the first 12 months of age?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Did you notice the behavior problem within the first 12 months of age? = Yes

Please enter the age you first noticed the behavior problem:  
(in months)

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Display This Question:

If Did you notice the behavior problem within the first 12 months of age? = No

Please enter the age you first noticed the behavior problem:  
(in years)

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Display This Question:

If Do you believe [dog\_name] has ever had a behavior problem? = No

The information you provide about [dog\_name] is essential to this scientific study and important to the canine community.

Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following?

* Aggression (e.g., growling, snarling, snapping, lunging, biting)
* Fearful and/or anxious behavior (e.g., hiding, cowering, shaking, low tail or body, panting, pacing, vocalization)
* Repetitive behavior (e.g., light or tail chasing, licking)
* House soiling
* Excessive barking
* Jumping on people
* Mounting/humping
* Eating feces (i.e. poop)
* Destructive behavior
* Rolling in repulsive objects (e.g., feces, garbage)
* Running away
* Overactive/hyperactive

End of Block: How Does [dog\_name] Behave

Start of Block: Fill Us In On The Details

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Aggression (e.g., growling, snarling, snapping, lunging, biting)

To which of the following has [dog\_name] ever shown aggression?  
(e.g. growling, snaring, snapping, lunging, biting)

* Familiar people in the home
* Strangers visiting the home
* Strangers away from the home
* Another dog in the home
* Unfamiliar dogs visiting the home
* Unfamiliar dogs outside on walks (off lead)
* Unfamiliar dogs outside on walks (on lead)
* Veterinarians
* Trainers
* Groomers
* Animals other than dogs in the home

Display This Question:

If To which of the following has [dog\_name] ever shown aggression? (e.g. growling, snaring, snapping... = Animals other than dogs in the home

Which animal(s) has [dog\_name] shown aggression to?

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Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Aggression (e.g., growling, snarling, snapping, lunging, biting)

In which of the following forms has [dog\_name] exhibited aggression?

* Growling
* Snarling
* Snapping
* Lunging
* Biting

Display This Question:

If In which of the following forms has [dog\_name] exhibited aggression? = Biting

Has [dog\_name] ever bitten a person?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever bitten a person? = Yes

How many times has [dog\_name] bitten another person?  
(It is okay to estimate)

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Display This Question:

If In which of the following forms has [dog\_name] exhibited aggression? = Biting

Has [dog\_name] ever bitten another dog?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever bitten another dog? = Yes

How many times has [dog\_name] bitten another dog?  
(It is okay to estimate)

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Display This Question:

If In which of the following forms has [dog\_name] exhibited aggression? = Biting

Has [dog\_name] ever delivered more than a single bite per incident?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If In which of the following forms has [dog\_name] exhibited aggression? = Biting

How severe was the worst bite?

* Level 1 - Obnoxious or aggressive behavior but no skin-contact by teeth
* Level 2 - Skin-contact by teeth but no skin-puncture
* Level 3 - One to four punctures from a single bite with no puncture deeper than half the length of the dog's canine teeth
* Level 4 - One to four punctures from a single bite with at least one puncture deeper than half the length of the dog's canine teeth
* Level 5 - Multiple-bite incident with at least two Level 4 bites or multiple-attack incident with at least one Level 4 bite in each

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Fearful and/or anxious behavior (e.g., hiding, cowering, shaking, low tail or body, panting, pacing, vocalization)

Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following fearful or anxious behaviors?

* Thunderstorm phobia
* Other noise phobia
* Fearful or anxious when confronted by certain people or in crowds (without showing aggression toward the people)
* Fearful of other dogs (without showing aggression toward the dogs)
* Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) (hypervigilance and avoidance following a life-threatening event)
* General anxiety (e.g., pacing, panting, easily startled in most circumstances)
* Situational anxiety (e.g., pacing, panting, easily startled in certain circumstances)
* Fearful/anxious in the veterinary office
* Separation anxiety (i.e., showing signs such as pre-departure anxiety, vocalization, destructive behavior when alone and exuberant greeting on owner's return)
* Anxiety in the car (e.g. panting, restless, vocalizing)
* Other fear or anxious behavior \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Repetitive behavior (e.g., light or tail chasing, licking)

Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following repetitive behaviors?

* Spinning
* Tail chasing
* Shadow or light chasing
* Running in a geometric pattern
* Compulsive licking of the wrist or hock
* Fly snapping (no flies actually present)
* Sucking the flank region or blankets
* Tennis ball fetish
* Collecting objects, and arranging them in piles or patterns
* Nail biting
* Digging in the yard
* Stone/rock chewing
* Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = House soiling

Do you think that [dog\_name] has ever had a house soiling problem?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = House soiling

In which way has [dog\_name] soiled in the house?

* Urine
* Feces
* Both

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = House soiling

In which of the following situations has [dog\_name] soiled in the house?

* When I am home
* When I am out
* When excited or overwhelmed (e.g., greetings, approach)

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = House soiling

Where has [dog\_name] soiled in the house?

* Specific locations
* Anywhere on the floor

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Excessive barking

Do you think that [dog\_name] has ever barked excessively?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Excessive barking

In which of the following situations has [dog\_name] barked excessively?

* When you are home
* When you are away
* To get your attention
* Inside - At triggers (e.g., noise, passerby)
* Outside - At triggers (e.g., dogs, people, noises)
* During car rides

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Jumping on people

Do you think [dog\_name] has ever jumped on people to an extent that you considered it to be a  
behavioral problem?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Jumping on people

On whom does [dog\_name] usually jump?

* You
* Family members
* Strangers

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Mounting/humping

Which of the following has [dog\_name] attempted to mount/hump?

* People
* Familiar dogs
* Unfamiliar dogs
* Inanimate objects (e.g., stuffed toys, pillows)

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Mounting/humping

How often does [dog\_name] mount/hump?

* Daily
* Weekly
* Monthly
* Yearly

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Eating feces (i.e. poop)

What type of feces has [dog\_name] consumed?

* Their own feces
* Other dogs' feces
* Other species' feces (e.g., deer, goose)

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Destructive behavior

Would you consider the destructive behavior exhibited by [dog\_name] to be problematic?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Destructive behavior

In which of the following situations has [dog\_name] exhibited destructive behavior?

* When you are home
* When you are away

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Destructive behavior

How often does [dog\_name] exhibit destructive behavior?

* Daily
* Weekly
* Monthly
* Yearly

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Rolling in repulsive objects (e.g., feces, garbage)

Has [dog\_name] ever rolled in any of the following repulsive objects?

* Urine
* Feces
* Dead stuff (e.g., blackish, greasy, rancid)
* Garbage

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Running away

When out with [dog\_name], has [dog\_name] ever run away and not come back on his/her own?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Running away

Has [dog\_name] ever bolted/escaped from the house and left?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Running away

Has [dog\_name] ever escaped confinement (e.g., fenced backyard) and run away?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Running away

Will [dog\_name] always return if you call for him/her?

* Yes
* No

Display This Question:

If Has [dog\_name] ever exhibited any of the following? = Overactive/hyperactive

Which of the following overactive/hyperactive behaviors has [dog\_name] exhibited?

* Moving or jumping constantly
* Difficulty settling
* Highly distractible
* Impulsive

End of Block: Fill Us In On The Details

Start of Block: Do You Have Other Dogs

Do you have another dog you that you would like to complete the survey for?

* Yes
* No

End of Block: Do You Have Other Dogs