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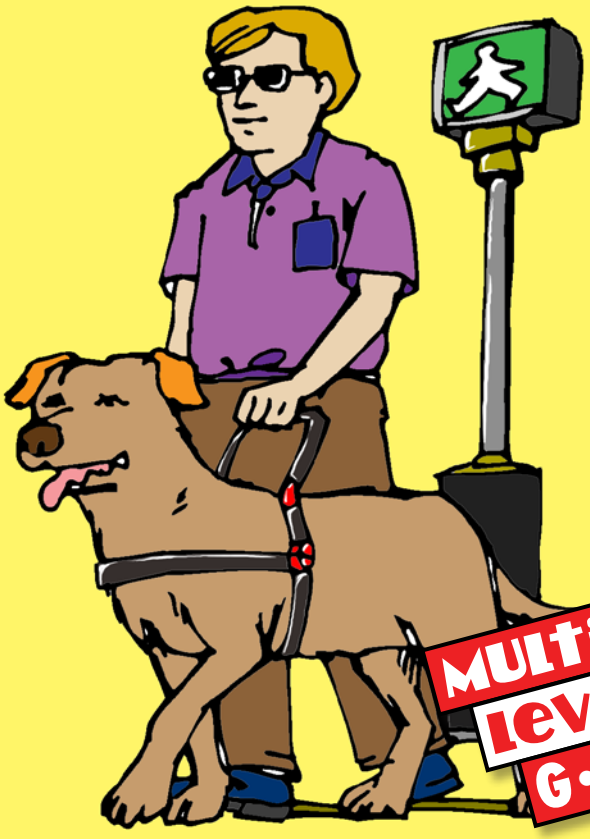

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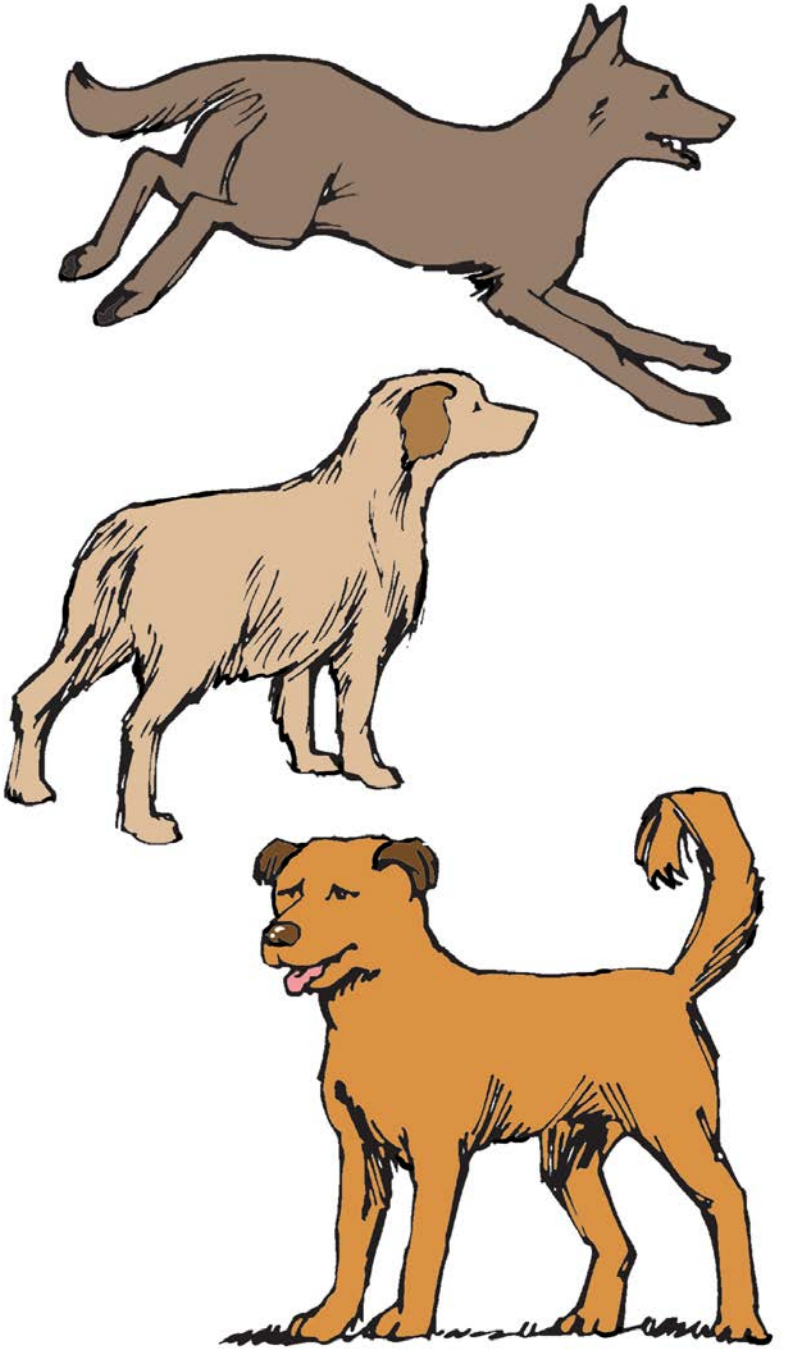
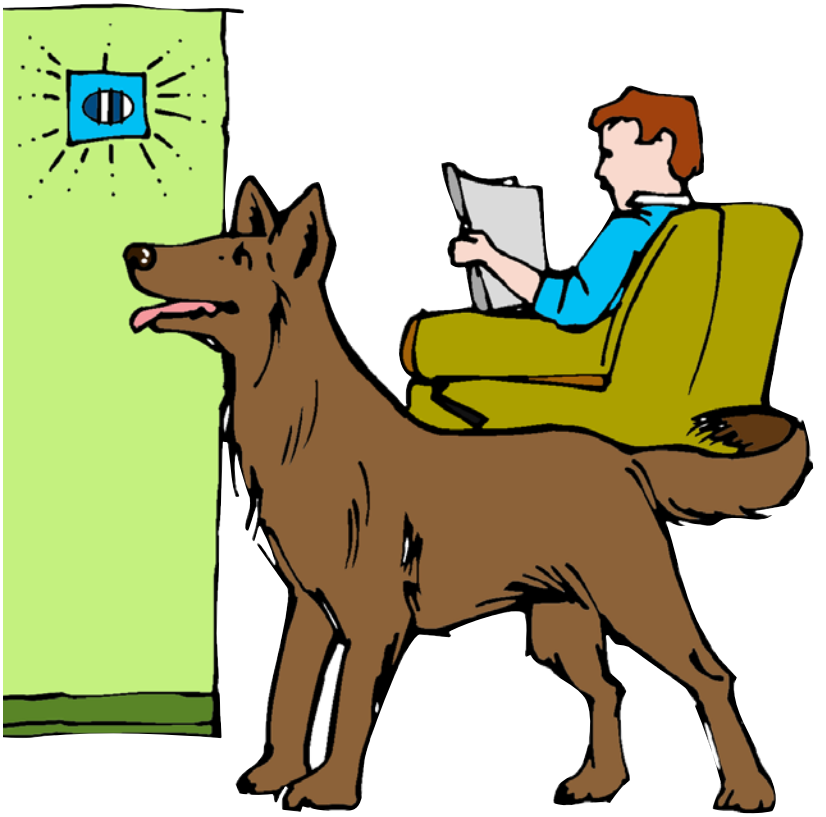


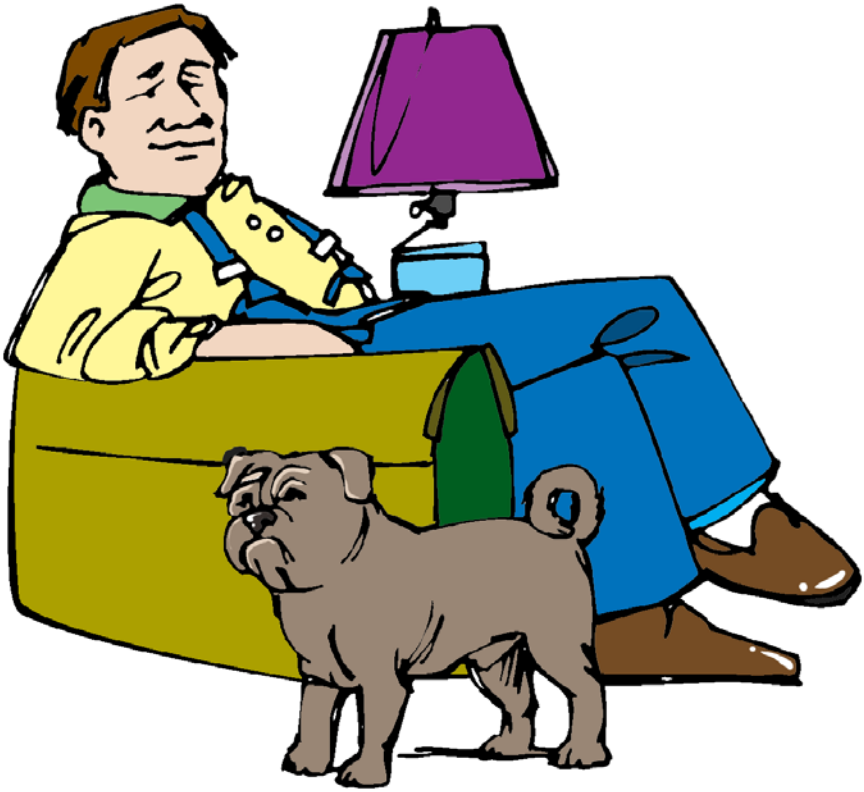
Introduction

Dogs are smart, and they learn fast. Their natural senses of hearing, sight, and smell help them understand a problem quickly. Some special dogs are trained to do work that helps people.



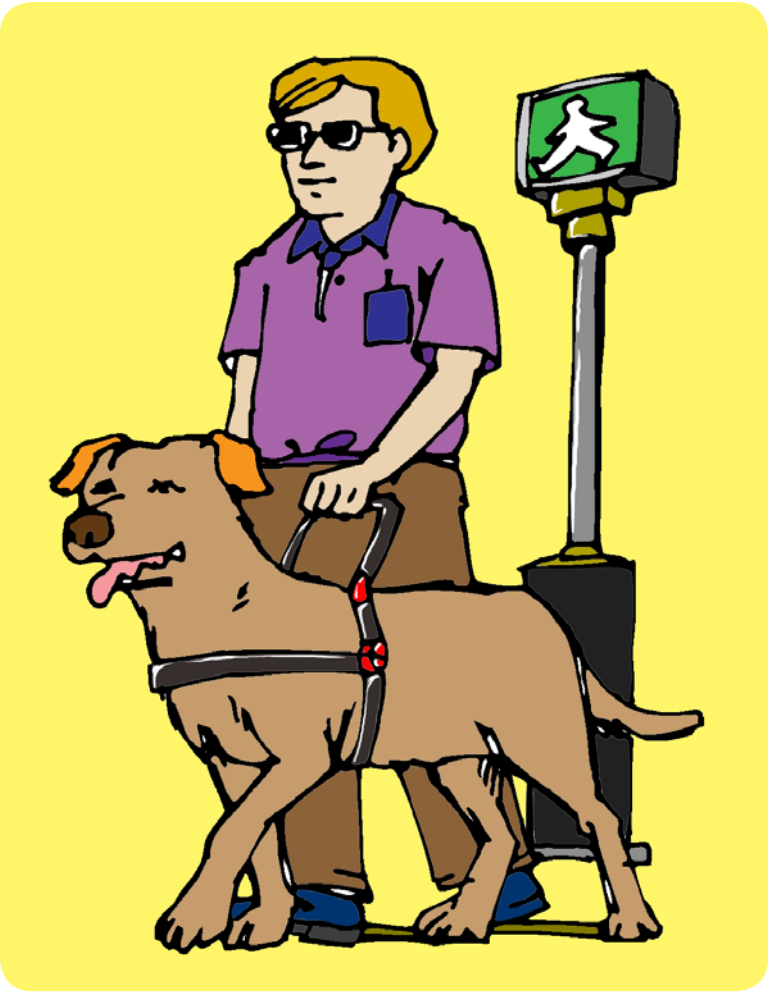
Hearing Dog

Many people can't hear sounds.
They won't hear an alarm clock,
a doorbell, or a person yelling.
A hearing dog warns a person
of a sound.



Therapy Dog

Therapy dogs are very friendly. They visit people who feel sick, sad, or lonely. They are quiet and gentle, and they help people to feel better.

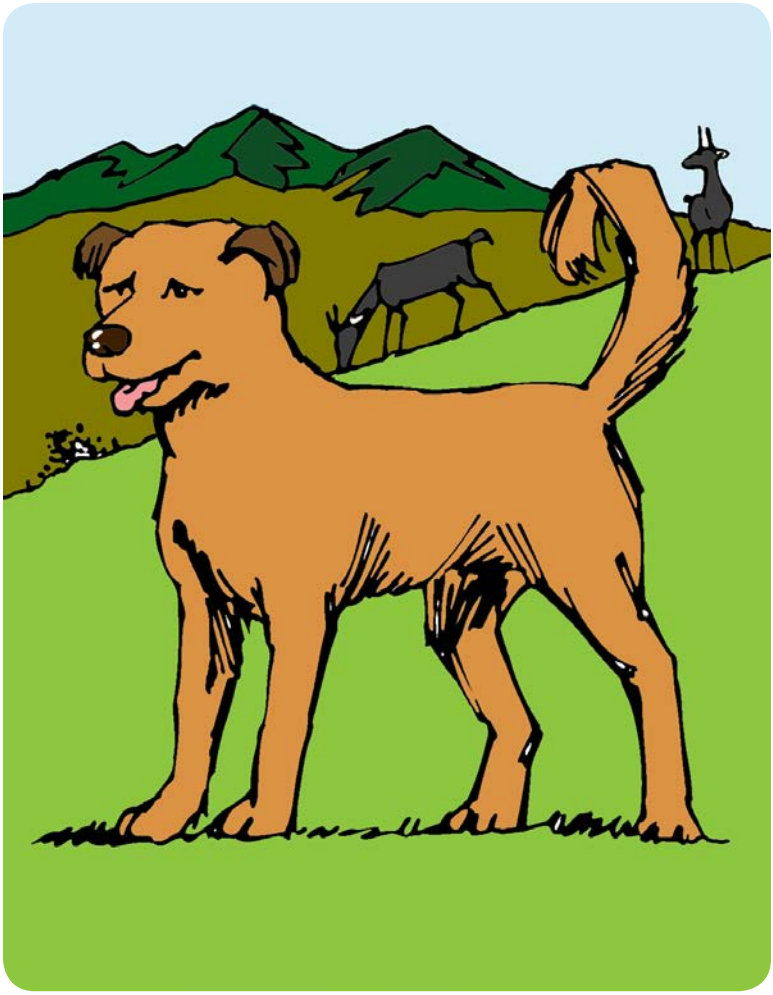


Guide Dog

A guide dog is trained to help a person who can't see. It lives with the person, and helps him or her get to places safely.

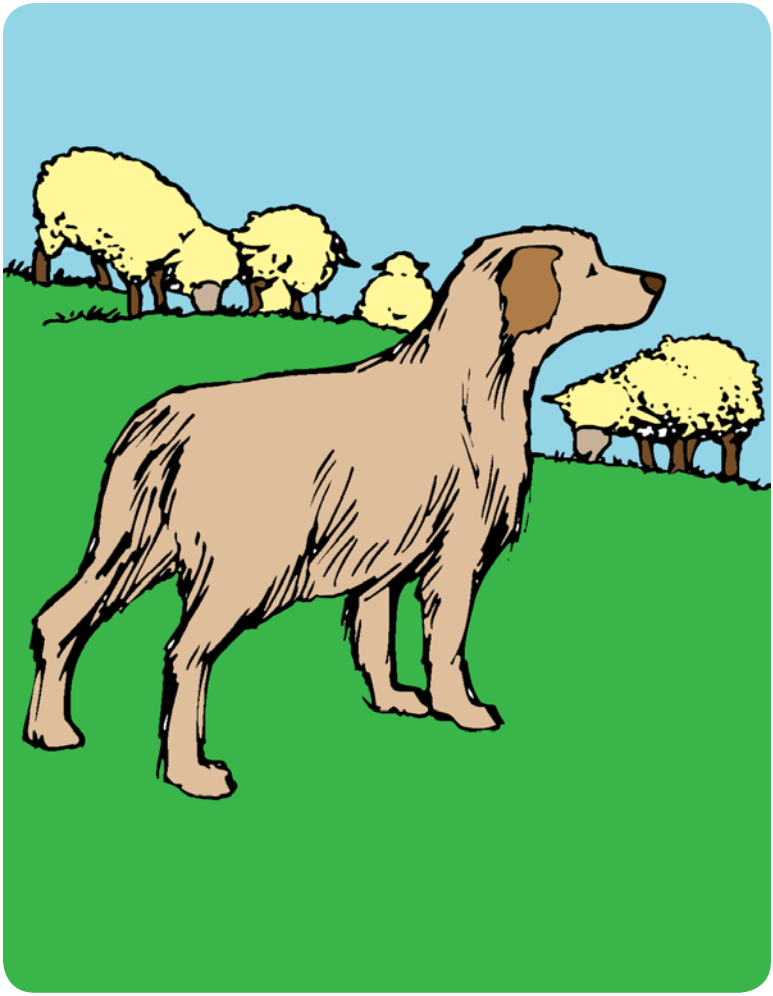
Assistance Dog

An assistance dog helps a person who is ill or hurt and can't move easily. It can pick up things, open doors, or push a box.



Ranch Guard Dog

Sheep, cattle, and goats live in big, open fields. A guard dog lives with the herd. It protects the herd from wild animals that hunt them.

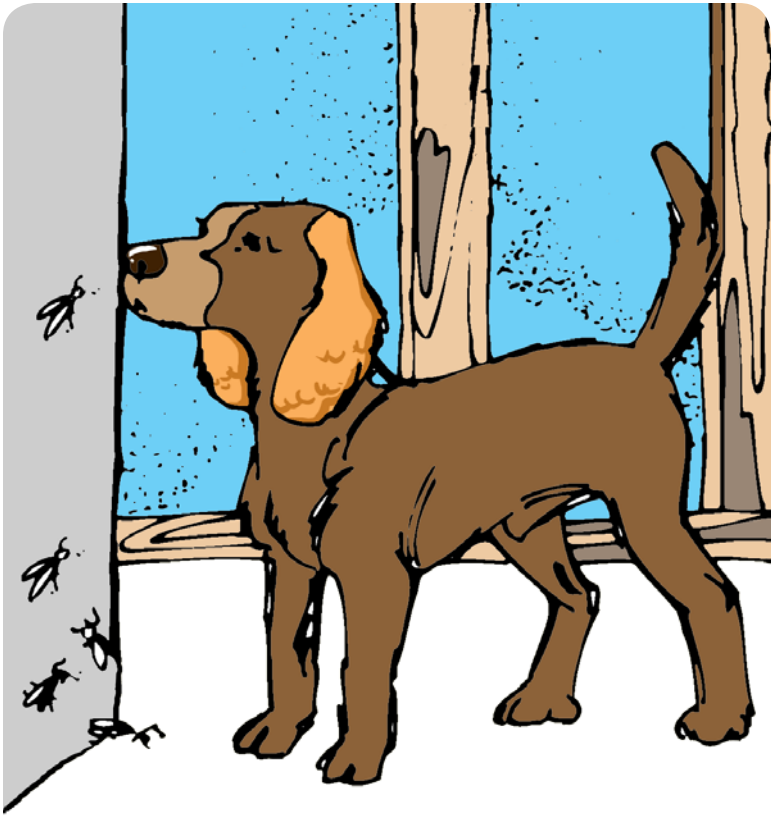


Herding Dog

Sometimes sheep get lost from the rest of the herd. A herding dog finds them for the farmer and brings them all back together.

Search Dog

A person can get lost in the woods. Or someone can be trapped in a building that falls down. A search dog finds the person and tells the rescue team.



Insect Dog

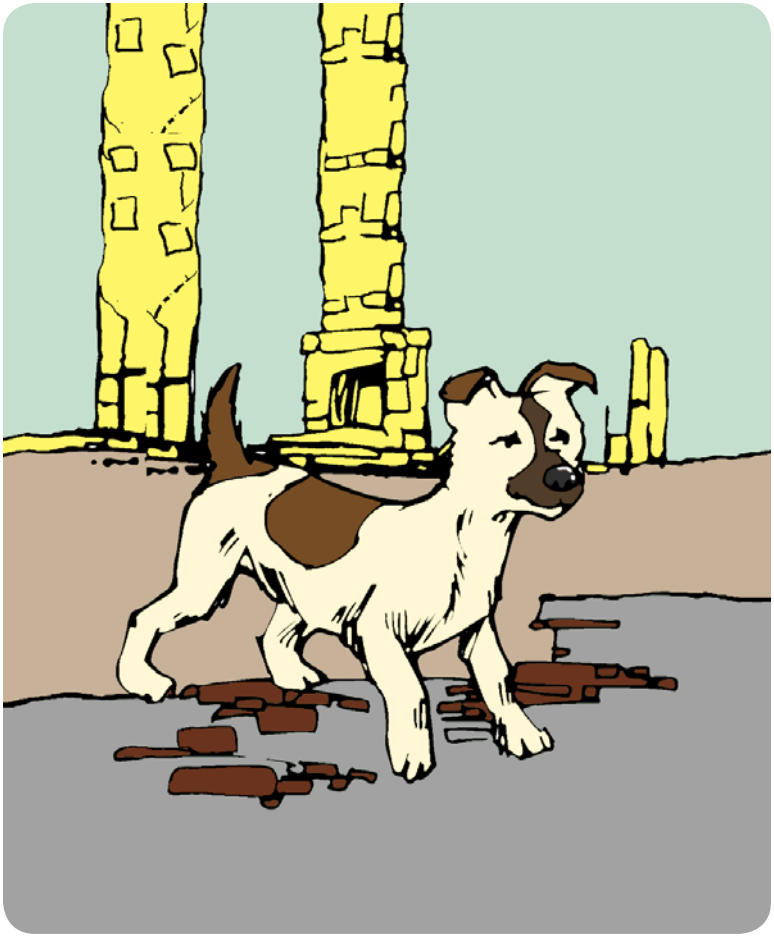
Some insects eat wood and damage buildings. Special insect dogs can smell them. Then people can clean out the insects and fix the buildings.

Hunting Dog

These dogs are good at finding wild game birds for a hunter. They point to a bird's hiding place or make it fly so the hunter sees it.

Police Dog

A police dog helps to chase and catch criminals. It sniffs to find out where they are hiding. It will attack someone who tries to hurt a police officer.

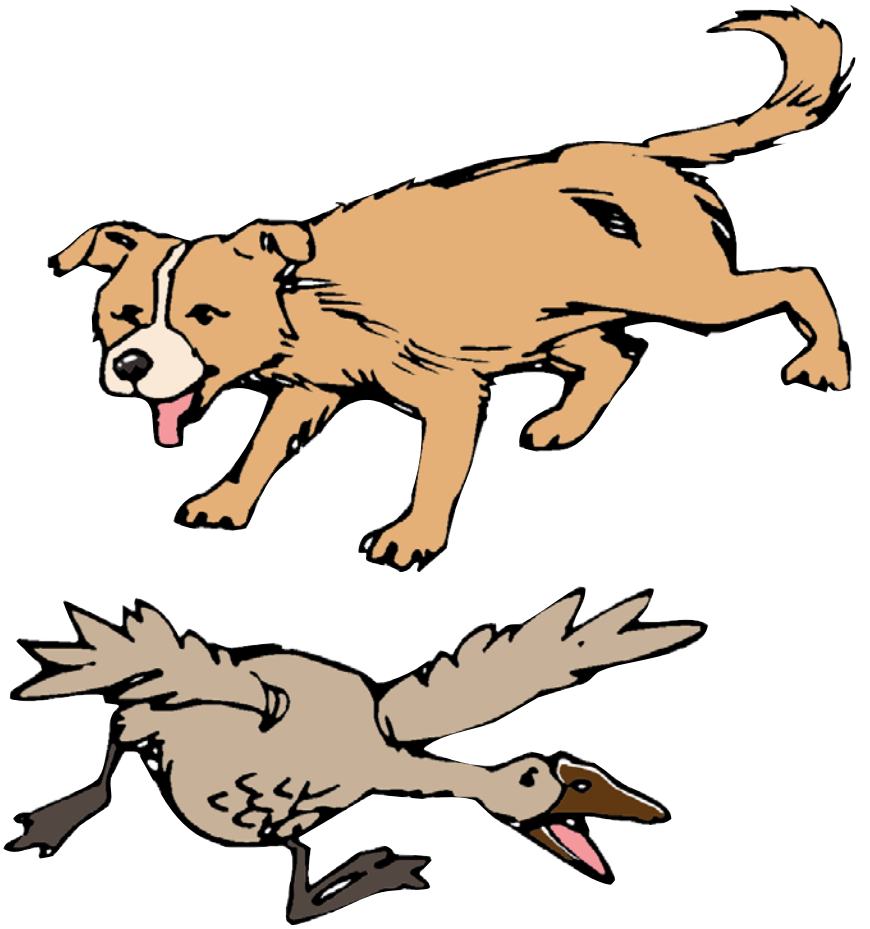


Fire Dog

After a bad fire, most of a building is ruined. It can be hard to know if the fire was an accident. Did someone start the fire? A fire dog sniffs for clues to learn the truth.

Lifeguard Dog

Lifeguard dogs help to watch people while they swim. These dogs are very strong swimmers. They will jump in and pull out a person in danger of drowning.



Goose Dog

Sometimes, large flocks of geese live near airports. A goose dog chases geese away from the areas where airplanes take off and land.

Drug Dog

Special dogs are trained to sniff for drugs. They sniff in airports. They sniff packages in the post office. They know all the hiding places to check.

Seizure Warning Dog

A person who gets seizure attacks can be surprised by one. If the person is driving or swimming, he or she could be hurt. The special warning dog senses that a seizure is coming and warns the person.

Baseball Dog

Some baseball parks are built near water. When a ball is hit over the stadium wall, it falls in the water. A baseball dog jumps in and brings it back!

Conclusion

Dogs do work that helps people.
They can help a doctor or a farmer.
A dog can also be a babysitter, or a
TV star or pull a sled in the snow.
A dog's best job is to be a friend!

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