

Listening — Listen and fill in the gaps

Pigs may be more intelligent (1) _____. They may be able to play video games. Researchers at Purdue University in the USA conducted research on pig-gaming skills. The researchers (2) _____ their test pigs were able to play some games. Researchers got the four pigs, named Ebony, Hamlet, Ivory and Omelet, (3) _____ simple game at different levels. They had to move a joystick with their snout to make (4) _____ to a coloured wall. If they were successful, they got a tasty treat. Lead author Dr. Candace Croney said: "(5) _____ they had some conceptual understanding of what they were being asked to do." The research is in a paper published (6) _____ "Frontiers in Psychology".

The research (7) _____. The pigs spent many days playing the game. During the last 50 rounds, the pigs played the game on three different levels. If they (8) _____ one level, they moved to the next level. The higher levels (9) _____. A scientist told CNN that: "The pigs clearly understood the connection between their own behavior, the joystick, and what (10) _____ the screen." Dr. Croney said it was important to understand how pigs get information, and what they (11) _____ learning and remembering. She said this would help us to learn what pigs think (12) _____. We could also understand what pigs think of different environments.