

Practice for Reading's Project: "Animal Language"

Activity #1: Read the definitions and write the vocabulary words:

Spectacles – go blind – complain – porridge – droopy - scratch

- 1- This refers to something people do when they are not happy or satisfied about something: _____
- 2- _____ is when people take medicine and they look like sleepy.
- 3- When people start losing the sense of sight, we say they _____.
- 4- This is a type of food people eat mostly in the mornings: _____.
- 5- The action you do when something is itchy: _____.
- 6- A synonym of glasses is _____.

Activity #2: Complete the sentences with the following vocabulary words:

plows - twitch – lame- droopy – complain – spectacles –

1. The horse was _____, so it couldn't walk.
2. My mom bought _____ to help me see better.
3. The farmer _____ his field to plant some trees.
4. This dog likes to _____ its nose!
5. The students _____ when there is homework.
6. I felt absolutely _____ after taking some pills.

Activity #3: identify the character according to each statement:

"Why don't you give up being a people's doctor, and be an animal doctor?"	
"But animals don't always speak with their mouths"	

"I'm a pretty quiet creature as a rule"	
"Dogs nearly always use their noses for asking questions"	
"That vet over the hill knows nothing at all, he has been treating me six weeks now"	
"That means, 'Is the porridge hot yet?'"	
"This is interesting-very interesting- something quite new. Give me the Birds' ABC first"	

Activity #4: Describe the characters using two ideas for each one, according to the story:

Polynesia	
Horse	
Doctor Dolittle	
Cat's-meat-Man	

Activity #5: Answer questions according to the story:

1) Who first told Dr. Dolittle he should become an animals' doctor?

2) What's the name of the doctor's bird?

3) Why does Cat's-meat-Man think Dr. Dolittle might have been a cat?

4) What did Polynesia teach Dr. Dolittle?

5) How many languages can birds talk according to Polynesia?

6) What parts of the body can animals use to communicate according to Polynesia?

7) What part of the body do dogs use for asking questions?

8) Why did the horse visit Dr. Dolittle?

9) Who kicks the farm boy into the duck pond?
