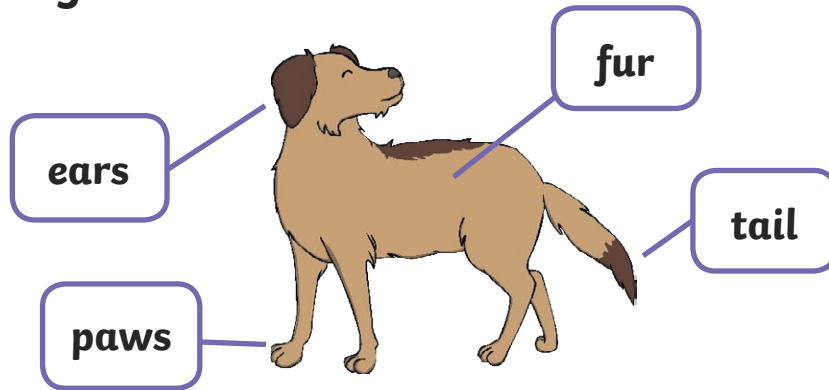


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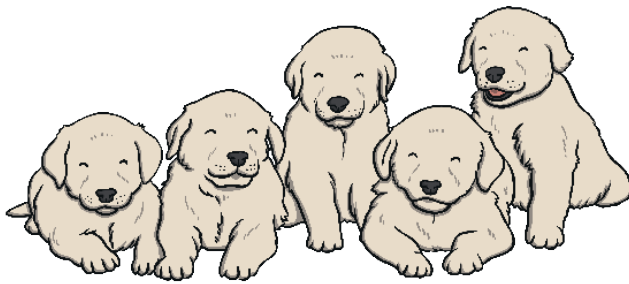


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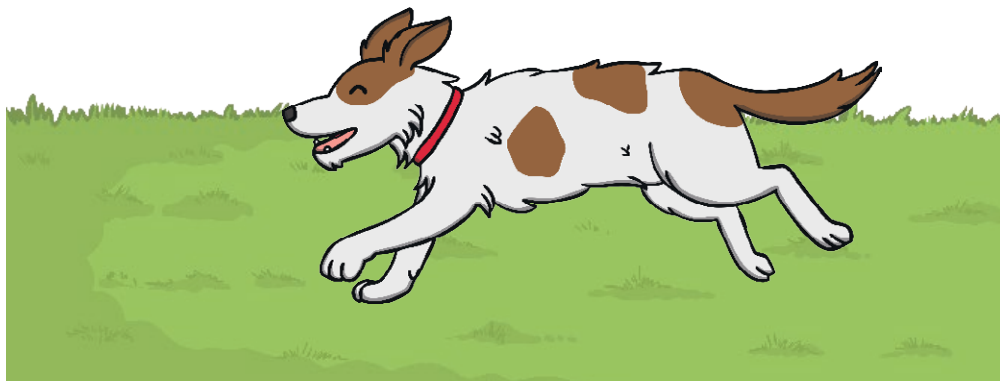
## A Dog



Baby dogs are called puppies. When they are born, they have lots of brothers and sisters.



Dogs need to run a lot to stay healthy. They need to go for daily walks and play every day. Make sure your dog has a lead so you can keep them safe.



## Things a dog will need:

food bowl



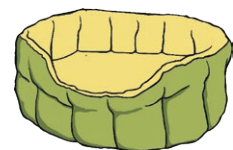
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lead



bed



toy



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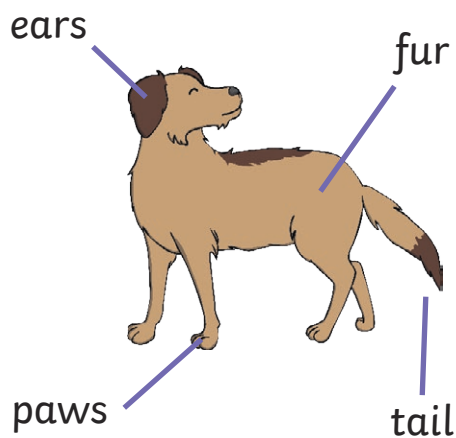
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Having a dog is really fun because they love to play and go for long walks. You can teach them tricks and get them to fetch balls.

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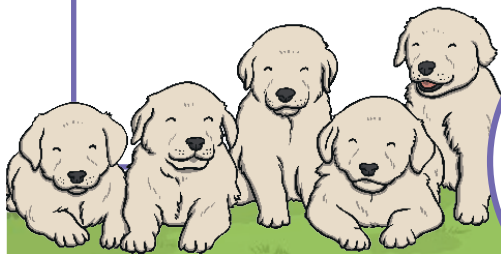


## What is a baby dog called?

Baby dogs are called puppies. Dogs give birth to lots of puppies in what is called a litter. When they are born, they are looked after by their mummy, who gives them milk to drink.

## How do I keep my dog healthy?

Dogs need to run and play to stay healthy. They also need to go for walks every day and eat the right foods.



## Remember!

Owning and caring for a dog is a big responsibility.



# Questions

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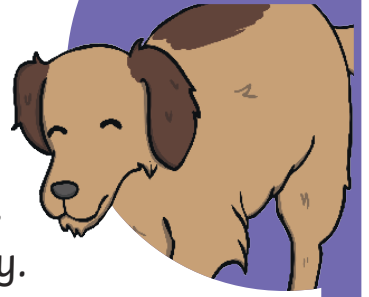
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Dogs are a very popular pet to have. It is estimated that there are over 8 million in the United Kingdom. Dogs can be great pets if they are cared for correctly. They love attention and to play and be stroked. Also, they like to be with people and look forward to seeing you.

## What Does a Dog Look Like?

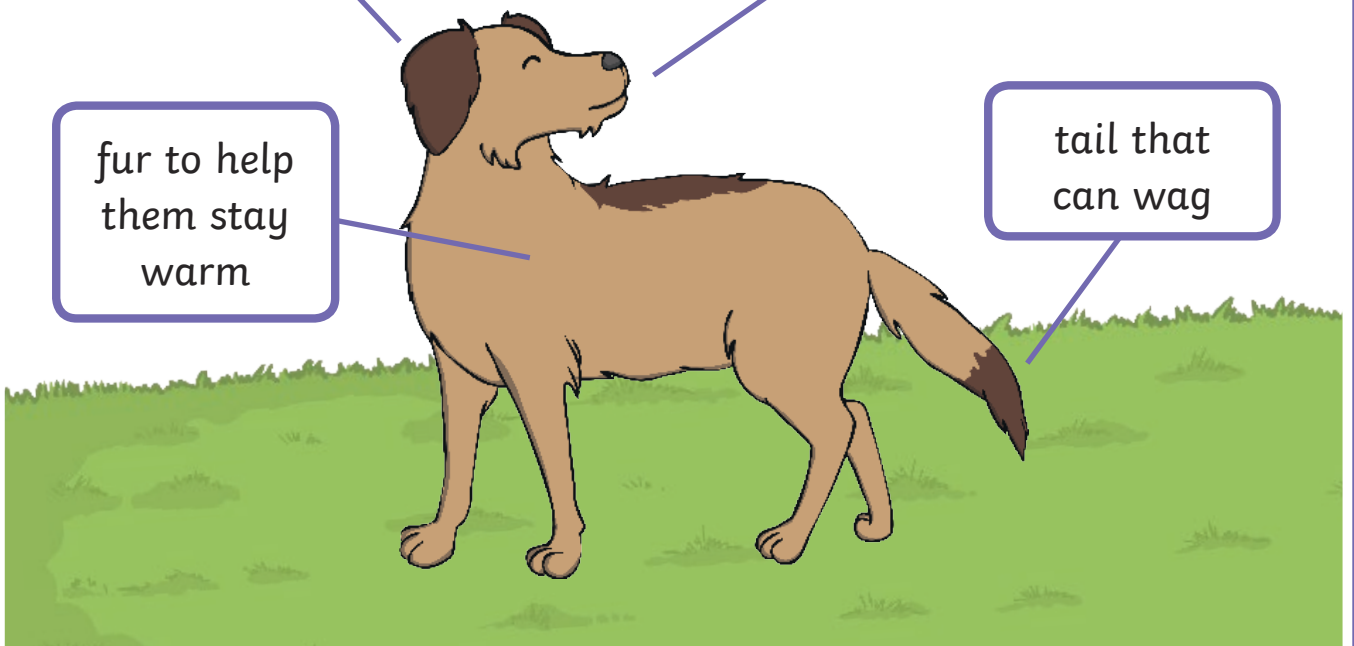
Dogs vary in size. Some are big like a Great Dane and some can be very small like a Yorkshire terrier. When dogs are happy, they can be seen wagging their tails. When they are hot, they often pant and stick out their tongue to cool down.

ears to help them hear well

tongue that they stick out to cool down

fur to help them stay warm

tail that can wag



### What Does a Dog Need?

Owning a dog is extremely rewarding and can be fun but it is also a big responsibility. Dogs need to be fed the right kinds of food and must avoid others such as chocolate, which would make them ill. Owners must also ensure their dog has a comfortable place to sleep. Exercise is vital to help dogs stay healthy and daily walks are essential. Always ensure your dog stays safe by keeping them on a lead in public places.

### What Are Baby Dogs Called?

Baby dogs are called puppies and they are born in a litter. This means that three, four or more puppies are born at one time. From birth, they drink milk from their mum. They have to be about four weeks old before they start to eat solid food.



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**Dogs cool themselves down by sticking their tongues out and panting.**

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**Answers may vary but should include reference to feeding the dog the right food, exercising the dog, giving it a place to sleep, and keeping it safe.**

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**avoid**

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**A dog can be kept safe in public places by using a lead.**

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