



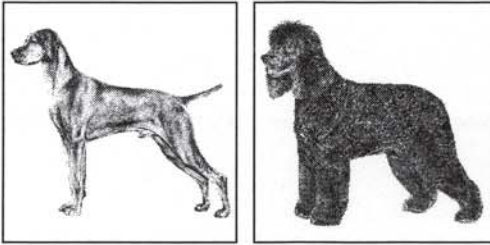
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# The Seven Groups

The American Kennel Club recognizes more than 151 different breeds of purebred dogs. Each dog belongs to a group. The seven groups are made up of dogs that have similar characteristics and perform similar jobs. Every dog was originally bred to perform a certain job, such as hunting rabbits or herding sheep.

## Sporting

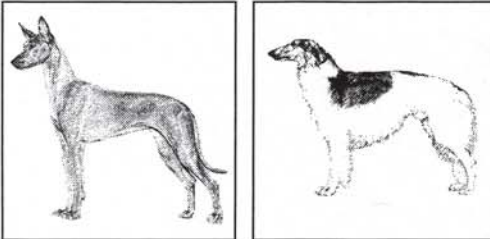
These dogs were originally bred to help man find and retrieve game in the field, the water and the woods.



The Vizsla and the Irish Water Spaniel are in the Sporting Group.

## Hounds

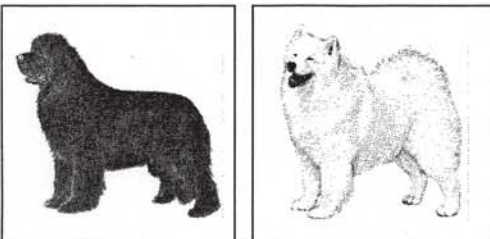
Hounds come in a variety of shapes and sizes as they were bred for work in places from the cold Arctic to the hot tropics. Hounds track prey by sight or scent.



The Pharaoh Hound and the Borzoi are in the Hound Group.

## Working

Working dogs help man by serving in water, snow and disaster rescue, pulling wagons and sleds and guarding families and livestock.



The Newfoundland and the Samoyed are in the Working Group.

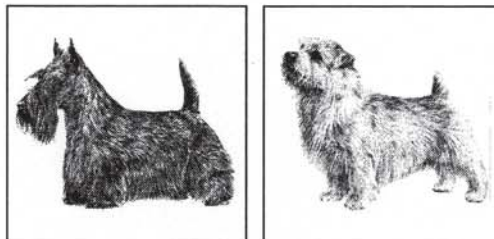
## Can you match the dog with the job it was bred to perform?

Place the correct letter in the space provided. Only one right answer is provided.

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| A. Herds livestock and sheep           | ___ Papillon            |
| B. Retrieves fallen game               | ___ Borzoi              |
| C. Digs and hunts beneath the ground   | ___ Poodle              |
| D. Breeds with varied appearances      | ___ Bearded Collie      |
| E. Small size, companion               | ___ Irish Water Spaniel |
| F. Pulls wagons, performs water rescue | ___ Norfolk Terrier     |
| G. Tracks by sight or scent            | ___ Newfoundland        |

## Terriers

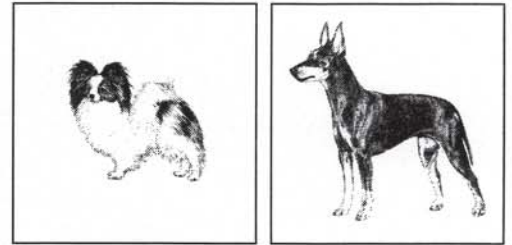
Terriers are intelligent and lively dogs that come in a variety of sizes. These dogs dig and hunt beneath the ground and were originally bred to hunt vermin.



The Scottish Terrier and the Norfolk Terrier are in the Terrier Group.

## Toys

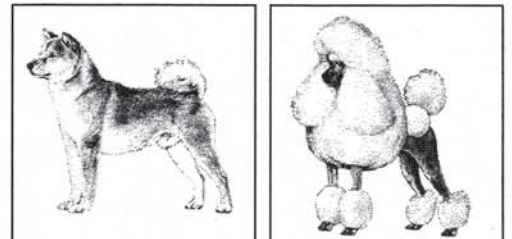
Toy dogs were developed for the pleasure they bring as companions and their special quality is their small size.



The Papillon and the Manchester Terrier (toy) are in the Toy Group.

## Non-Sporting

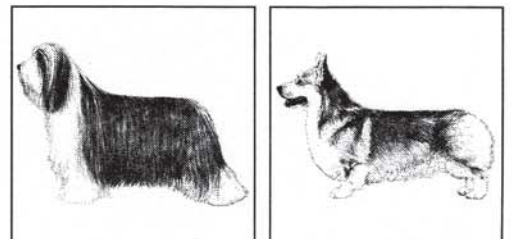
The breeds in this group are varied in terms of size, coat, personality and overall appearance.



The Shiba Inu and the Poodle are in the Non-Sporting Group.

## Herding

These dogs were bred to work with man as drovers, driving cattle and sheep, and as herders, keeping flocks under control.



The Bearded Collie and the Pembroke Welsh Corgi are in the Herding Group.