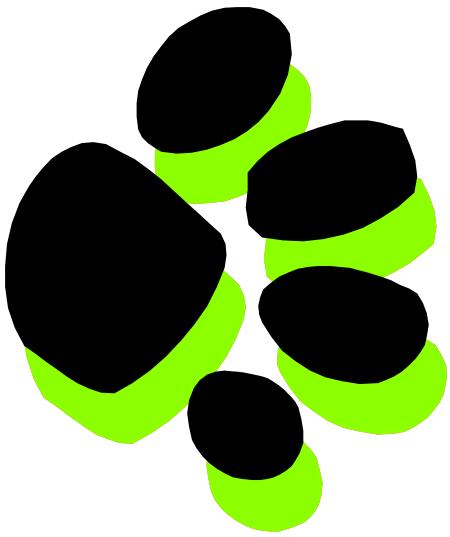


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## What is a litter?

- A litter is newborn puppies. A litter usually has six to eight puppies. Some puppies are so small that you can hold them in your hand. The newborn puppies are helpless. At first they can't see or hear; however, they can smell very well. After about 10 days, the puppies can see. Newborn puppies are red on their face and paws. The mother feeds the puppies nutritious milk from her body.

## Why do dogs hear better than humans?

- People's ears are close to the head while dog ears are pricked and set on high on the head. Plus dog's ears are bigger. Also dogs can move the ears independently. A dog's ear has 18 more muscles than humans that allow easy turning.

## Interesting facts:

- Dogs are mammals.
- In some other places there are wild dogs.
- The puppies fight each other to see who is the strongest.
- The vet gives the puppies an injection to help prevent diseases.
- The owner takes the boy dog to a girl dog to mate.
- There are more than 200 breeds of dogs.

# **Ways to Help Your Dog Get Exercise Indoors**

**Food Scavenger Hunt** - Make your dog hunt for it with his nose. You can hide small piles of food in the house then release him to "kibble hunt."

First, make the piles very easy to find. Then hide the food in harder spots as he gets better.

**Fetch and Tug**- These are great dog games that you can play in a small place.

**Have a Doggie Play Date!** - If your dog has a favorite playmate or friend, consider scheduling a rainy day play date.

**Play Hide and Seek!** - Your family can take turns hiding around the house. They call the dog to them, and reward him with treat when he comes.

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