

Vocabulary

breed

Meaning: A specific type or group of animals with similar characteristics, especially dogs.

Examples:

1. The Labrador Retriever is a popular dog breed.
2. My cat is of the Siamese breed and has blue eyes.

companion dogs

Meaning: Dogs that are bred to provide company and emotional support rather than work or hunting.

Examples:

1. Poodles and Pomeranians are common companion dogs.
2. Companion dogs are great for people who live alone.

we don't mind

Meaning: We are okay with something; it doesn't bother us.

Examples:

1. The kids make a mess, but we don't mind because they are having fun.
2. Our dog barks a lot, but we don't mind because he protects the house.

aggressive

Meaning: Showing strong, sometimes violent behavior.

Examples:

1. Some dogs are naturally aggressive, while others are calm.
2. He became aggressive when he lost the game.

runs around

Meaning: Moves quickly from place to place.

Examples:

1. The children run around the playground after school.
2. My dog runs around the house whenever he gets excited.

jump all over you

Meaning: To jump on someone repeatedly, often in excitement.

Examples:

1. My dog will jump all over you when you enter the house.
2. The kids jumped all over me when they saw I had brought gifts.

fur

Meaning: The thick hair that covers the bodies of some animals, like dogs or cats.

Examples:

1. My cat has soft gray fur.
2. The dog's white fur gets dirty easily.

Blenheim

Meaning: A color pattern of white and brown, commonly found in Cavalier King Charles Spaniels.

Examples:

1. Our dog has the Blenheim coloring—brown and white patches.
2. Many Cavalier King Charles Spaniels are Blenheim in color.

mild temperament

Meaning: A calm and gentle personality or behavior.

Examples:

1. Golden Retrievers are known for their mild temperament.

2. She has a mild temperament, so she rarely gets angry.

Vocabulary Quiz

Complete the sentences with the vocabulary from the lesson:

Blenheim • runs around • aggressive • don't mind • breed • jump all over you • fur

1. My dog is a special ____ called a King Charles Cavalier.
2. He has brown and white ____ that sheds everywhere.
3. The mix of brown and white is known as ____ color.
4. When guests come over, he will ____ in excitement.
5. Our dog often ____ the house and never stops moving.
6. Sometimes he gets a bit ____ when he wants to play.
7. He chews our shoes, but we ____ because we love him.

Arthur / Australia 

Do you have a special pet?

The question I'm answering is, do I have a special pet?

And yes, I do have a special pet, and his name is Cooper. So, Cooper is a dog that we have, and he's of the **breed** King Charles Cavalier. The King Charles Cavalier were bred to be **companion dogs**, and they have a **mild temperament** and are good with children, but our dog that's quite special is nothing like that.

He **runs around**, he pulls; he's a bit **aggressive**. He would **jump all over you**, but we **don't mind** because he's our special dog. Now he has white and brown **fur**, and this mix is usually called a **Blenheim** color, and he loves to eat everything. He chews different parts of the house. He'll eat your socks. But we still love him because he is our special pet.

Quiz

Answer the following questions about the interview.

1) What is the name of the special pet?

- a) **Chewy**
- b) Cooper

2) What is his dog bred to be?

- a) Police dog
- b) **Companion dog**

3) What does his dog do in the house?

- a) **Chew things**
- b) Break things

Corporate Terminology

Proactive

Taking initiative.

“The Engineering Department names the employee of the month based on their proactive behavior towards safety.”

"The Engineering Department selects its Employee of the Month based on demonstrated safety leadership and a proactive approach to risk management."

Uphill Battle

Meaning: A difficult process

Example: “Winning back our trust after stealing is going to be an uphill climb, but we think you can do it if you’re careful to act with honesty.”