



READING COMPREHENSION WORKSHEET

Read the blog post. Then answer the questions.

“SNIFFING IS IMPORTANT FOR DOGS”

Click the link to access the blog from a browser on your device: [Sniffing is important for dogs](#)

- 1) What do dogs have that make their sense of smell so much better than humans?

Dogs have 300 million olfactory receptor cells. Each nostril can smell individually, with the ability to continually take in scent. In addition, dogs have a secondary organ called the vomeronasal, or Jacobson's organ that detects pheromones and chemicals.

- 2) What are some ways dogs use their body language to communicate what they are smelling?

Dogs will pause and slightly turn their body away from objects as a warning they do not like it. When unsure about something, they will slow down and sniff continuously.

- 3) A dog can detect smells at concentrations of 100 million times less than that which a human nose can detect. Therefore, what kinds of jobs would dogs be able to do?

Dogs make excellent hunters, are used for sniffing out drugs, and other dangerous materials and can even find missing people.