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Uncover A Dog (Uncover Books)





Synopsis

Winner of a Parents' Choice Approved Award, Uncover a Dog takes an inside look at the special anatomical and behavioral characteristics that make dogs our most trusted and lovable animal companions. Petting a dog, running with her, playing fetch, or rubbing her belly reminds us of the importance of the friendship between people and their canine pets. Young readers learn all there is to know about their furry pals, from beagles and basenjis to salukis and Samoyeds. What makes them different from one another? Whatâ [™]s under the skin of a yellow Labrador retriever? Find the anwsers to these questions and more when you Uncover a Dog!

Book Information

Series: Uncover Books Hardcover: 16 pages Publisher: Silver Dolphin Books; Nov edition (April 28, 2008) Language: English ISBN-10: 1592238041 ISBN-13: 978-1592238040 Product Dimensions: 11.7 x 10.2 x 1.1 inches Shipping Weight: 1.1 pounds Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (43 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #225,974 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #157 in Books > Children's Books > Education & Reference > Science Studies > Anatomy & Physiology #167 in Books > Children's Books > Education & Reference > Science Studies > Biology #193 in Books > Children's Books > Education & Reference > Science Studies > Zoology Age Range: 8 and up Grade Level: 2 and up

Customer Reviews

This book is part of the Uncover Book series. The center of the book is made up of layers of plastic anatomical models of the physiological systems of a dog. The text surround the cut-out middle contains various facts related to the featured system. Photos and illustrations further support the information presented. As you lift each page, you can isolate the featured system and reveal another layer. The pages, front and back, cover the system suspended in the cut-out area. The areas covered are as follows: Best Friends (with a see-through image of Labrador Retriever), Skull and Jaws, Skeleton, Cardiopulmonary, Reproductive, Digestion, Nervous System, Muscle System,

and Skin and Fur. The book presents many facts related to featured system. In some cases, I was surprised to learn new things about dogs (a litter of pups can have more than one father). I also found myself wanted to enforce knowledge I already knew (calling one of my dogs over so I could feel his legs as I looked at the pictures and plastic representation of the dog's leg bones). The book doesn't provide an exhaustive explanation of the systems (I found the cardiopulmonary section lacking). Some of the plastic representations are a little disappointing (the reproductive system is a small squiggle). The book is more of a springboard to delving deeper elsewhere if there is an interest. Overall, I liked the book. I feel it would be of great interest to most young readers and would be enjoyed by the adults sharing it with them. The book is not just for dog owners. It would pair nicely with other books in the series so the reader could compare and contrast different species.

My daughter loves both dogs and Uncover books, so we were excited to see this one come out. I have to say, we were a little disappointed. Both the facts presented in the text and the parts included in the model seem to have been chosen randomly. The book does not present a systematic introduction to a dog's anatomy and the facts do not join together to make a whole as they did in the human body book, where every page talks about a different body system. It did not hold my child's interest as much as the earlier books did.

I'm really enthusiastic about this book. I didn't realize when I purchased it that it actually had a plastic, layered model set into the pages (I thought I was just buying a board book). Think Visible Wo/Man. Just a wonderful learning medium, without the hassle that comes with the "Visible" kits of having to paint items and put them together. The parts in this book are held in place with small clamps, and are not designed to be removed. That's the only caveat, for really small children that are inclined to tear things apart, this book would have to be used with supervision. Couldn't be better. Also available as a Cat, a Human, and one of the dinosaurs. Gave this as a gift to a tiny veterinary aspirant ;)

We purchased this book and Uncover a Cat for our six year old granddaughter who would like to be a Veterinarian when she grows up. A few months ago when I asked her how school was going she was very discouraged because they were not teaching her anything she needed to know about animals and being a veterinarian. I went on to explain that everything she learns now will help her prepare for college where she will learn more about animals and their care. However, we decided to search for books that we could assist her with and she could keep as a reference and this along with Uncover a Cat are just wonderful. When she opened them at Christmas she was beyond excited. We picked a quiet time to read and review and as young as she is, she absolutely loved them and told me she would keep them in a special place so her little sister couldn't get at them. There are more books in the series and we will probably purchase them at a later date. Great find for any age capable of taking care of a fragile book!

My dog has some health issues and my daughter is very interested in what is going wrong under all that fur. He had a seizure last night and showing her how his brain is connected to the rest of his body was really helpful in explaining a complicated medical problem to a 5 year old.

My Daughter, 6 years old, loves this book. The stories and facts are enough to come back and review. There's not a tremendous amount of written information, this book mostly about the model dog; however, asking questions and discussion the topics on the page has made this become a regular favorite bedtime and rest time book for the past 6 months or so (so far). She's actually named the parts now and points them out when she sees other dogs in the neighborhood. She will tell dog owners when she pets their friendly dogs, "Ohhh I can feel his heart!" and "His lungs are really working!" Stuff like that makes me I got this book.

I first saw one of this "uncover" books in the Vet's office and my grandson was so intrigued with it. I have now gotten others than the dog . . . most educational. The book itself is well constructed.

I think I bought this for too young a child. He was 4 and liked looking at it, but I think the pieces got lost right away and there is no telling where they are now. Perhaps this would be more appropriate for a 7 or 8 year old.

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