

# Riddle Me This!

Connecting with Harry the Dirty Dog Vocabulary Words  
Through Word Puzzles, Games and Readers



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# It's a Match: Harry the Dirty Dog

## Nouns and Adjectives

	girl
	barks
	dog

	tricks
	bath
	place

clever

strange

favorite

soapiest

little

happy

# Harry the Dirty Dog ABC Order

1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12

barks

buried

bath

black

brush

backyard

begging

began

became

## Harry the Dirty Dog Cursive Practice

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He didn't want a bath so he ran away from home.

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## Harry the Dirty Dog Verbs

Root Word	-s	-ed	-ing
take			
bury			
run			
begin			
feel			
cry			
think			
try			

Harry didn't ever want to \_\_\_\_\_ a bath so he \_\_\_\_\_ the scrubbing brush.

He \_\_\_\_\_ it in the backyard and \_\_\_\_\_ away from home.

He \_\_\_\_\_ to wonder if his family \_\_\_\_\_ he had really \_\_\_\_\_ away.

He \_\_\_\_\_ tired and hungry, too, so he ran back home.

Poor Harry \_\_\_\_\_ very hard to show his family that he was Harry!

After a good bath the children \_\_\_\_\_, "It's Harry! It's Harry!"



How many words can you make from the word dirtiest?

**D**<sub>2</sub> **I**<sub>1</sub> **R**<sub>1</sub> **T**<sub>1</sub> **I**<sub>1</sub> **E**<sub>1</sub> **S**<sub>1</sub> **T**<sub>1</sub>

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is	die	tie	diet	side	tire
it	ire	tis	dire	sire	tired
	its		dirt	site	tried
	red		edit	stir	tries
	rid		iris	test	sitter
	set		rest	tide	stride
	sir		ride	tied	tidier
	sit		rise	tier	

# What do a tree and a dog have in common?

kibble	strange	family	lots	backyard	home
of	garden	ran	street	white	brother
children	sister	bark	wonderful	dogfood	father
dirtier	house	played	dinner	soapiest	liked

Cross out all the food words.

Cross out all the describing words.

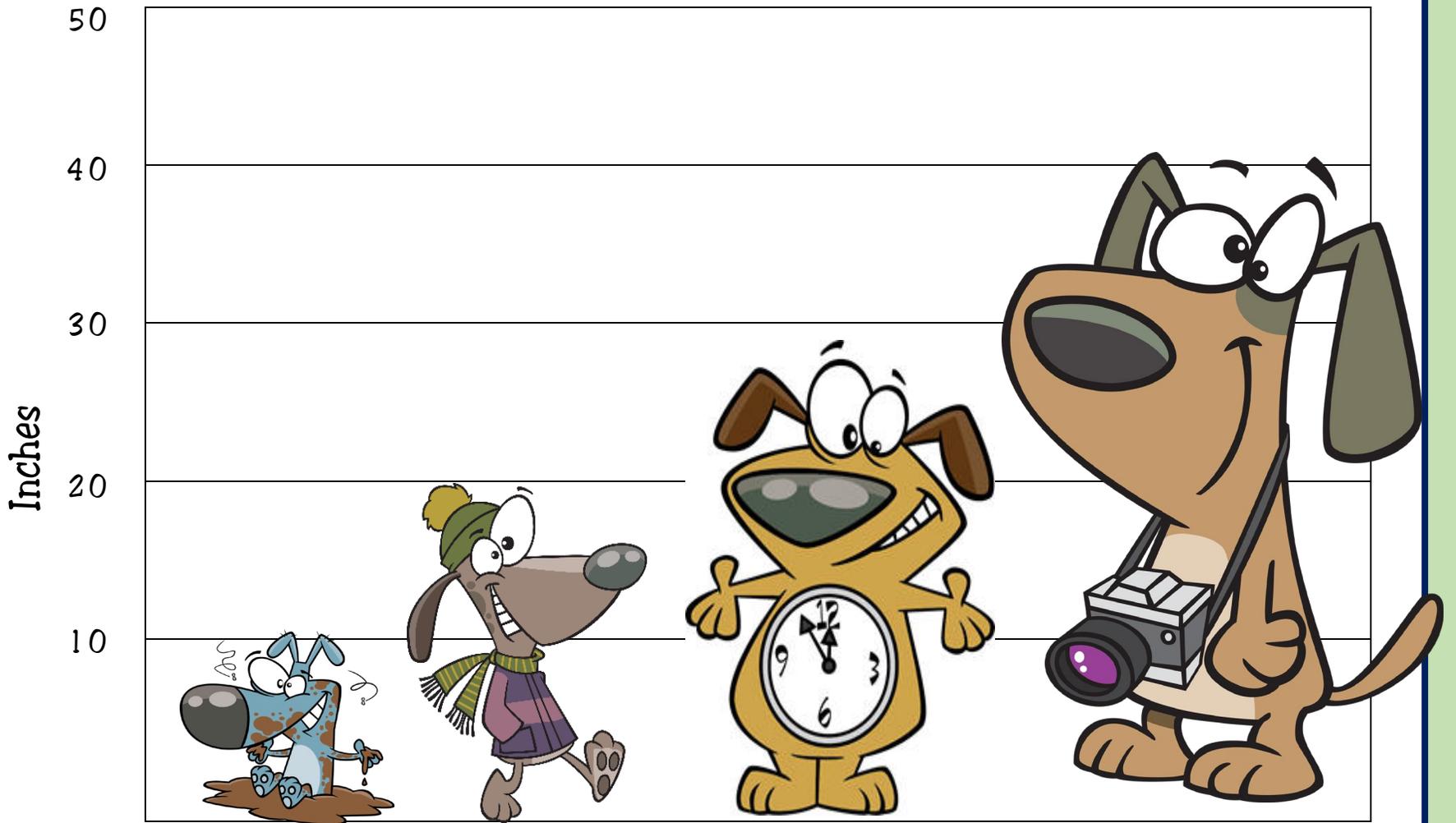
Cross out all the place words.

Cross out all the three syllable words.

Cross out all the family words.

Cross out all the verbs.

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_ !



Which dog is the shortest? How tall is the shortest dog? \_\_\_ inches

Which dog is the tallest? How much taller is the tallest dog than the shortest? \_\_\_ inches

How tall is the dog with a sweater? \_\_\_ inches

# Harry the Dirty Dog Conversation Cards

## Directions and Suggestions for Use:

The original focus for using conversation cards in the classroom was to promote oral language and vocabulary for a particular theme. I made these cards smaller than usual to encourage teachers to allow children to have a side-by-side storytelling experience, which often helps with self-confidence and collaboration. They can develop their storyline after looking through the pictures and determine a sequence of events (perhaps a first, next, then, finally format?) and then put their story together, giving it a title. A possible extension of this activity would be making a background (backyard, city streets) for the story and perhaps developing dialog for the characters. Another extension would be to put the cards on tongue depressors and use them as puppets for the storytelling.

Note: This is great for second language learners and for students with special needs.

# Dog Activity Conversation Cards

(for oral language development and storytelling)



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dressed for winter	I'm a birthday dog.	dirty dog	bubble bath	dancing dog
kissing booth	yummy treats	Play ball!	Please?	What's under here?
Yuck!	I'm a winner!	playing in the rain	hungry dog	Santa's helper

# Harry the Dirty Dog Fun

Word	# of Letters	Consonants	Vowels	Fraction of Consonants?	Fraction of Vowels?
dirtyest	8	5	3	$\frac{5}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$
backyard					
soapiest					
clever					
scrubbing					
brother					
street					
wonderful					

# Harry the Dirty Dog

Harry was a clever dog, as clever as can be,  
He knew that he would really rather be carefree,  
When he heard that water running and filling up the tub,  
He buried the scrubbing brush in the ground beneath a shrub!

Now Harry got quite dirty on the day he ran away.  
Yes, he played and he played and he played all day.  
He played and he played with other dogs nearby.  
'til he looked like he'd been in a messy mud pie!

He was hungry and tired, so he went back home,  
And he needed a bath and a brush and a comb!  
Nobody knew him when he looked so strange.  
But a bath made him Harry with nary a change!

# Rub-a-Dub-Dub!

(Tune: Traditional Tune)

Rub-a-dub-dub!

My dog's in the tub,

And why do you think he's there?

He rolled in the dirt and played in a shrub,

And needed to scrub every hair!



## Choosing Treats

I opened the box and took a peek  
And found a toy that had a squeak,  
A bouncy ball and a bone to chew.  
Oh, my goodness, what will I do?  
There's nothing quite like having choice.  
But it's just too bad I have no voice!  
I'd tell them I want to have them all . . .  
Treats to eat and the bouncy ball!



# Dog Readers for Beginners

Sequels to Harry the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion:

Harry and the Guinea Pig

Harry and the Lady Next Door

Harry by the Sea

No Roses for Harry

Guided Readers and Big Books by Cherry Carl

A Dog Can Go to School

Frog and Dog Are Friends

Give a Dog a Bone

My Dog Can

My Dog Likes

My Dog Westie

My Puppy

Take Care of Your Dog

Walk Your Dog

What Do Dogs Do?