

VETERINARIAN

A *veterinarian* (sometimes called a “vet”) is a doctor for animals. Veterinarians take care of the health of animals.

Veterinarians take care of many different kinds of animals in many different places. Veterinarians can help decide what kinds of foods an animal should eat, what shots an animal needs, and how to help an animal that is sick.



Pet owners use a veterinarian to help take care of their pets. Veterinarians know how to take care of dogs, cats, and other small animals.



Farmers use veterinarians to help take care of their *livestock*: pigs, cows, horses, and the other animals on the farm.



Zoos use veterinarians to help take care of all the animals in the zoo.



Veterinarians can even help wild animals that are hurt.

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ANSWER THE QUESTIONS ABOUT *VETERINARIANS*:

1. What is another word for veterinarian?
 - a. pet
 - b. zookeeper
 - c. vet
 - d. animal

2. What is the main job of a veterinarian?
 - a. taking care of animal health
 - b. taking care of pets
 - c. giving animals shots
 - d. taking care of people

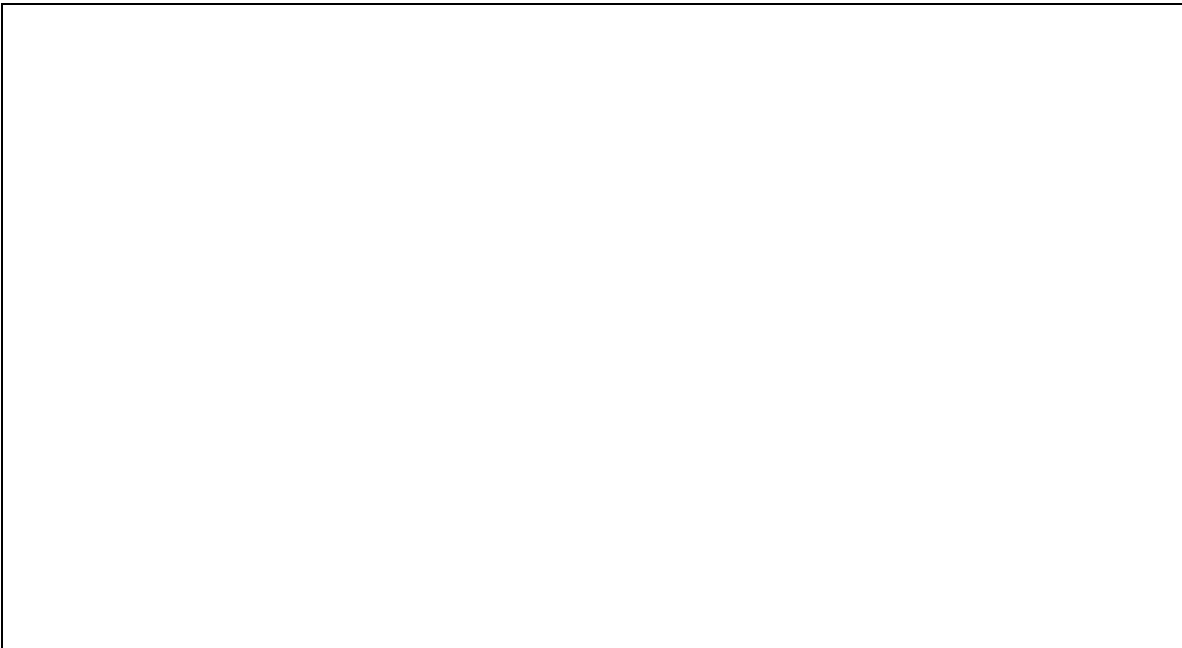
3. What does ***livestock*** mean?
 - a. animals that are alive
 - b. animals that live on a farm
 - c. animals that are kept as pets
 - d. animals that are taken care of by veterinarians

4. What kinds of animals do veterinarians take care of?
 - a. pets
 - b. wild animals
 - c. livestock
 - d. all of the above

5. According to the article, where do veterinarians work?
 - a. zoos and pharmacies
 - b. zoos and farms
 - c. hospitals and farms
 - d. hospitals and zoos

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Have you ever been to a veterinarian's office? What was it like? If you haven't been, write a story using your imagination. Draw a picture to go with your story.



ANSWERS TO *VETERINARIANS*

1. c
2. a
3. b
4. d
5. b