

Bigfoot Learns to Sit

How does Marta train Bigfoot to sit?

¹ "For the last time, Bigfoot, sit!" said Lee, but Bigfoot lay down again. "Oh, you mean dog!"

² Marta laughed, "He just does not understand when you say *sit*. What can we try that will work?"

³ Just then Lee's mother came out of the house and set down a dish of hot dogs. "Have a good lunch," she said. Lee started to get a hot dog.

⁴ "Wait, Lee," said Marta. Then, holding up a hot dog, she said, "Sit, Bigfoot." When Bigfoot started to stand up to get it, Lee pushed down on the dog's back end. Not meaning to, Bigfoot sat up.

⁵ "Good boy, Bigfoot!" said Marta. She gave him that hot dog and started to get another one. This time Bigfoot knew what to do.

⁶ Later, Lee went in to ask for more food. "You hungry children," said Lee's mother. Then she looked at Bigfoot, who did not seem hungry. "I can see who had a good lunch," she laughed.



Diagnostic Reading Pretest for Nicky

Name _____ Possible Total Score: 47
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Part A

Circle the three words in each line that belong together.

- white blue brown dish 3. ear watch nose arm
- 1. first gone next last 4. house park food store
- 2. arms flowers feet hands 5. move walk run stay



Classification

Score _____ Possible Score 5

Part B

Put a check by the meaning that fits the underlined word in each sentence.

- Does Nicky bark too much?
___ the noise a dog makes
___ the outside of a tree
- 1. Why did you say that?
___ word that asks a question
___ word of surprise
- 2. She will go to school soon.
___ a place where children learn
___ a lot of fish together
- 3. Marta's dad saw Nicky jump.
___ something used to cut
___ used his eyes



Multiple meanings

Score _____ Possible Score 3

Part C

Put each set of words in A-B-C order. Write **1** by the word that comes first, **2** by the word that comes next, and **3** by the word that comes last.

- ___ mail ___ ears ___ drink 2. ___ coat ___ after ___ own
- 1. ___ left ___ side ___ prize 3. ___ day ___ land ___ all



Alphabetical order

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