

Pet-Selection Counseling - Part 1: Lifestyle

1. Household members:

Name	Age	Relationship

2. Current household pets:

Name	Age	Sex	Species/Breed

3. Previous household pets

Name	Age	Breed

4. How often do adults visit?

- Daily
- Numerous times weekly
- 1-4 times monthly
- Infrequently

5. How often do children or teens visit?

- Daily
- Numerous times weekly
- 1-4 times monthly
- Infrequently

6. Would you say your current lifestyle is

- Very Hectic
- Moderately busy/controllable
- Calm / quiet

7. Does anyone in your family have special needs?

- Yes No
- If yes, please specify _____

8. Is anyone in your home allergic to animals?

- Yes No
- If yes, please specify _____

9. Are there any major family changes in your near future?

- Birth of a child
- Household move
- Schedule change
- Marital change
- Other _____

Part 2: Care and Maintenance

10. You live
- In a house
 - In an apartment
 - On a farm
 - Other _____

11. What is your approximate yard size?

- Large (acre or more)
- Medium
- Small
- No yard to speak of

12. What type of fencing is around your yard?

- Chain-link
- Invisible Fence
- Privacy
- No fence

13. Where will your pet spend most of his time?

- Indoors
- Outdoors
- 50/50

14. How will a pet be managed in your back yard?

- Fence
- Tie-out
- Not sure

15. What will your pet's indoor areas include?

- Full access to rooms
- Limited access to rooms
- Allowed on furniture
- Allowed on some furniture

16. Where will your pet sleep?

- Crate
- Their own bed
- Family member's bed
- Outside
- Other _____

17. How long will your pet be left alone during the day?

- < 1hour
- 4 hours or less
- 8 hours or less
- > 8 hours
- Variable

18. Where will your pet be kept when you are not home?

- Crate
- Outside
- Free access to house
- Specific room

19. How much time do you plan on interacting with your dog daily?(training, playing, grooming, exercise, etc.)

- < 1 hour
- 1-2 hours
- > 3 hours

20. Prioritize 3 activities you would like to do with your pet (jogging, swimming, agility training, ect):

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

21. How often will you walk your pet off your property for mental stimulation?

- Twice a day
- Once daily
- Once weekly
- Less than once a week

22. Who will be in charge of feeding your pet?

- Family takes turns
- Mom / Dad
- Individual _____

23. Who will be in charge of cleaning up after the pet?

- Family takes turns
- Mom / Dad
- Individual _____

24. How often do you plan to train your pet?

- Multiple times a day
- Multiple times a week
- Occasionally
- As little as possible

25. If acquiring a puppy or kitten will you take it to socialization classes?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure, more information need

26. Do you plan on crate training your pet?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure, more information needed

27. Who will be responsible for administering your pet's medical care (medication, etc.)?

- Family takes turns
- Mom / Dad
- Individual _____

28. Would you prefer to have your pet trained

- Without assistance
- With the help of a private trainer
- Group training class
- Leave pet at a training facility
- Unsure, need more information

29. What will you do with your pet on occasions when you travel?

- Take pet on trip
- Board the pet
- Hire a pet sitter
- Other _____

Part 3: Financial Considerations

30. How much are you budgeting monthly for your pet's food?

- \$20 or less
- \$20-50
- \$100 or less

34. Which of the following pet sources are you considering?

- Reputable breeder
- Animal shelter / humane society
- Breed rescue organization
- Pet store
- Other _____

39. What age would you like your pet to be when you acquire it?

- As young as possible
- 8 weeks
- 6 months or older
- Adult

43. Aloofness with family

- Could live with problem
- Would do whatever it takes to correct the problem
- Problem would prompt me to part with the pet

47. Digging / yard destruction

- Could live with problem
- Would do whatever it takes to correct the problem
- Problem would prompt me to part with the pet

51. How important is it to you that your pet "guards your home"?

- Very important
- Important
- Not important
- Do not want a guard dog.

31. How much are willing to pay for your pet?

- Free
- Less than \$50
- Less than \$100
- Less than \$500
- Less than \$1000
- \$1000 or more

Part 4: Pet Characteristics

35. What other animals (not your own) will your pet interact with?

- Dogs
- Cats
- Other _____
- Often
- Rarely
- Never

32. Do you plan on spaying / neutering your pet?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure, need more information

36. Primary purpose for obtaining your pet:

- Adult's pet
- Family pet
- Child's pet
- Breeding
- Show
- Hunting
- Protection
- Farm / outside pet
- Other _____

33. How much are budgeting to spend annually on your pet's medical care?

- Less than \$200
- \$200 - \$300
- \$301 - \$400
- More than \$400
- Whatever is necessary

37. Breeds you are considering

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

38. Has someone in your household owned a puppy less than 6 months of age?

- Yes
 - No
- How long ago? _____

40. Are you interested in training your pet?

- Yes, I look forward to training my pet
- No, I would like a pet that requires little training

44. Excitability

- Could live with problem
- Would do whatever it takes to correct the problem
- Problem would prompt me to part with the pet

48. Chewing / destruction

- Could live with problem
- Would do whatever it takes to correct the problem
- Problem would prompt me to part with the pet

52. What size pet do you prefer?

- Micro (less than 5 lbs.)
- Very small (less than 10 lbs.)
- Small (11-25 lbs.)
- Medium (26-50 lbs.)
- Large (51-90 lbs.)
- Giant (greater than 90 lbs.)
- No preference

41. House training problems

- Could live with problem
- Would do whatever it takes to correct the problem
- Problem would prompt me to part with the pet

45. Demands attention

- Could live with problem
- Would do whatever it takes to correct the problem
- Problem would prompt me to part with the pet

49. Excessive vocalization

- Could live with problem
- Would do whatever it takes to correct the problem
- Problem would prompt me to part with the pet

53. How important is it to you that your pet wants to sit in your lap, follow you around, etc.?

- Very important
- Important
- Not important
- I would rather have an independent dog.

42. Shyness with people

- Could live with problem
- Would do whatever it takes to correct the problem
- Problem would prompt me to part with the pet

46. Jumping on people

- Could live with problem
- Would do whatever it takes to correct the problem
- Problem would prompt me to part with the pet

50. How often do you plan to groom your pet at home?

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- As infrequently as possible

54. Would you have your pet Professionally groomed?

- Yes
- No
- Occasionally

55. How much does hair on your clothing or furniture bother you?

- Can not tolerate
- Can tolerate somewhat
- Does not bother me

54. Please list any questions or concerns you may have:
