



Story Starter

(Part 1)



Look at the picture. Then read the facts about the Bernese Mountain Dog beside the picture. Use the picture and the information to answer the questions.

About the Bernese Mountain Dog:

- The Bernese Mountain Dog is from Switzerland.
- These dogs have lived for thousands of years in Swiss villages and on farms in the Alps (a mountain range in Switzerland).

- Bernese Mountain Dogs herd cattle and sheep, guard barnyards and were once used to pull carts loaded with goods and supplies.
- These are intelligent, obedient and good-natured dogs who enjoy being with children and other animals.

1. Describe the Bernese Mountain Dogs in the picture.

2. What kind of disposition (personality) does the Bernese Mountain Dog have?

3. What kind of work was the Bernese Mountain Dog bred to perform?

4. What are some other activities this kind of dog might enjoy?



Story Starter (Part 2)

Using your answers to the questions in Part 1 (and your imagination), write a story about a Bernese Mountain Dog. Don't forget... you can use the AKC Web site at www.akc.org as a resource for more information. Below are a few more questions to help you get started. Don't forget to give your story a title!

What is the name of the dog in your story?

Where does the dog live?

What kind of family does it belong to?
