

# Presidential Pets Matching Game



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1. **Pushinka**—mixed-breed puppy from Russia, given to Caroline Kennedy by Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev. Pushinka means “fluffy” in Russian.

2. **Nanny**—one of the goats that pulled the Lincoln children around the White House grounds in a cart. Goats were kept by many presidents during earlier years.

3. **Nelson**—chestnut horse. George Washington’s horse during the Revolutionary War. George and Martha Washington did not live in the White House.

4. **Pauline**—the last cow to live at the White House. Milk cow for William H. Taft. Pauline supplied milk for the personal use of President Taft and his family.

5. **Alligator**—owned by John Quincy Adams. Given to Adams by Lafayette. Lived in bathtub in East Room.

6. **Laddie Boy**—airedale owned by Warren G. Harding. Laddie boy had his own big chair to sit in during cabinet meetings. Laddie Boy was Harding’s constant companion.

# Match the Pets with their Description!

7. **Rob Roy**—White collie owned by Grace Coolidge. The Coolidges had one of the largest collections of pets ever to live in the White House.

8. **Willie**—black cat, **Spot**—English springer spaniel, and **Barney**—Scottish terrier. Current White House pets owned by George W. and Laura Bush.

9. **Sheep**—Woodrow Wilson kept a small flock of sheep on the White House grounds in order to keep the grass mowed during WWII.

10. **Him** and **Her**—twin beagles owned by Lyndon B. Johnson. They loved to play in the Oval Office and race down the halls.

11. **Rebecca** and **Reuben**—raccoons who stayed in their outdoor shed at night and occasionally roamed the White House during the day. Owned by Calvin and Grace Coolidge.

12. **Liberty**—golden retriever owned by Gerald Ford. Mother of eight pups that were born in the White House.



(Answers on last page)



## **THE WHITE HOUSE VISITOR CENTER**

The Visitor Center is open from 7:30–4:00 every day except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's. You will find interesting exhibits, tourist information, and helpful Park Rangers to answer your questions, as well as delightful figures of Barney, the Scottie who is a current White House resident, and Pauline Wayne. Pauline was the last cow to live at the White House and was the personal source of milk for William Howard Taft, President from 1909–1913. You may want to pay them a visit, too!

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*Answers to the Presidential Pet Match*  
1–D, 2–I, 3–F, 4–J, 5–G, 6–K, 7–A, 8–C, 9–L, 10–E, 11–B, 12–H