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Dorado Alerts

Smoke begins to rise from the house. Dorado barks to alert the family that there is trouble. When they hear the barking, Dorado's family knows that something is wrong. While Dorado's owner calls 911 for emergency help, Dorado sniffs out the appropriate exit route. He jumps up to test the door handle with his paw. The knob is warm, but not hot.

Dorado barks three times to alert his owner that this is the right door to use. The family makes a swift exit from the house and waits outside in the yard for the fire trucks to arrive. Because Dorado is trained in rescue procedures, Dorado's owner and his family are able to safely escape the house.

1) Dorado alerts the family that there is trouble by

    A. sniffing

    B. shouting

    C. barking

    D. jumping

2) Based on its use in the passage, it can be understood that **appropriate** belongs to which of the following word groups?

    A. strong, forceful, tough

    B. right, proper, correct

    C. clear, obvious, simple

    D. delicious, tasty, flavorful

3) This passage would most likely be found in a book titled

    A. Firefighters at Work

    B. Safety at Home

    C. Rescue Dogs

    D. Canine Trouble

4) The family in this passage is able to escape because

    A. the door handle is warm, but not hot

    B. Dorado's owner calls 911 just in time

    C. firefighters arrive quickly to the house

    D. Dorado is trained in rescue procedures

5) This passage explains how

    A. dogs can rescue people from fires

    B. families work together to stay safe

    C. it is important to call 911 in emergencies

    D. firefighters work hard to put out fires

6) As used in the passage, the word **swift** most nearly means

    A. cold

    B. quick

    C. safe

    D. risky

7) Do you think all dogs can learn to do what Dorado does in this passage? Why or why not?

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