

Questions 1–14 are about the article entitled *Pets in Cold Weather*

1 What does the RSPCA want to help the reader to do?

1 mark

2 Look at the section headed: **Walking dogs in winter.**

Complete the table below with **one** piece of evidence from the leaflet to support each statement.

	Evidence
It can be dangerous to walk dogs in the dark	
Old and sick dogs need extra protection in the cold	

2 marks

3 *After walking your dog in areas that may have been gritted with rock salt ensure you wash their paws thoroughly.*

Explain the meaning of the word *ensure* in the above sentence:

1 mark

4 *In the coldest months it's important that your cat has access to a warm environment, such as your home or another inside area with appropriate heating.*

This suggests that in the winter...

Tick **one**.

cats must be warm at all times.

cats don't go outside.

cats cannot be outside at all.

cats cannot be outside all the time.

1 mark

5 What is the purpose of the section of the article entitled *Horses and ponies*?

1 mark

6 Why should horse owners provide extra food for their horse in the winter?

1 mark

7 Why is it important to check horse's legs in the winter?

Tick **one**.

for problems such as abscesses.

for signs of mud fever.

to look at their hooves.

to check they are not wet.

1 mark

8 Look at the section headed: **Rabbits and guinea pigs**.

Find and **copy one** word that means the same as *enough*.

1 mark

9

Look at the section headed: **Rabbits and guinea pigs.**

(a) Tick one box in each row to show the **main reason** why each action is suggested:

	To keep them warm	To keep them dry
Extra bedding, such as dust-free hay	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sloped roof	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hutches raised off the ground	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Moving enclosure into an outhouse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(b) Explain why hutches or enclosures should be placed in a sheltered position:

2 marks

10

Look at the section headed: **Birds in aviaries, coops, or runs.**

This advice suggests that...

Tick **one**.

all pet birds are kept outside.

birds don't like cold weather.

birds can survive well outside.

birds are really greedy.

1 mark

11 Look at the section headed: **Fish ponds in your garden.**

Using information from the text, tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is true or false.

	True	False
Check the ice daily in winter		
Poisonous gases can build up under the ice		
You should break the ice		
You should pour hot water on the ice		

2 marks

12 Look at the whole text.

Complete the table below to show what the text says about the dangers of different types of winter weather.

The dangers of ice	The dangers of wet weather
1. _____ _____	1. _____ _____
2. _____ _____	

2 marks

13 Give one example of the use of informal language in the article.

1 mark

14 Some of the advice in the article was repeated for different animals.

Give **two** things that you can do to help many different pets during the winter:

1. _____

2. _____

2 marks