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2nd Reading Comprehension

Read the story and answer the questions.

Lights, Camera, Action

Puppies, puppies everywhere! Jumping, sniffing, chewing, barking, yipping, acting! Acting? Yes, acting! Were there really 101 dalmations on the movie *101 Dalmations*? No, there were more! During six months of filming, Gary Gere, the lead animal trainer for the movie, and his team of 20 trainers had their hands full while training four adult dalmations and 230 puppies to be doggy actors. Gary has worked on many movies, including *Ice Storms*, *Pet Detective*. The puppies for the movie *101 Dalmations* came from dalmation breeders all over England where the movie was filmed. Gary was excited to work with dalmations. "Fortunately," Gary says, "dalmations are very trainable." Why were there so many puppies? The puppies grew so quickly that they were replaced every two to four weeks by new litters. That way, the dogs would look the same age throughout the movie. None of the puppies got sick during the filming of the movie. If they had, they could have visited an animal hospital built just for the movie. When the puppies finished their acting jobs, they went back to their breeders. Some of the crew members took some of the dogs home, however, because they had become attached to the dalmations!

1. What breed of dog is this story about? (Circle the answer)

- A. puppies
- B. dalmations
- C. pets



2. How many months did it take to film the movie *101 Dalmations*?

3. How many puppies were used in the movie?

4. Why does Gary like working with dalmations?

5. Why were so many puppies needed?

6. Where did the puppies go after the filming was over?
