

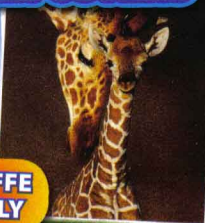
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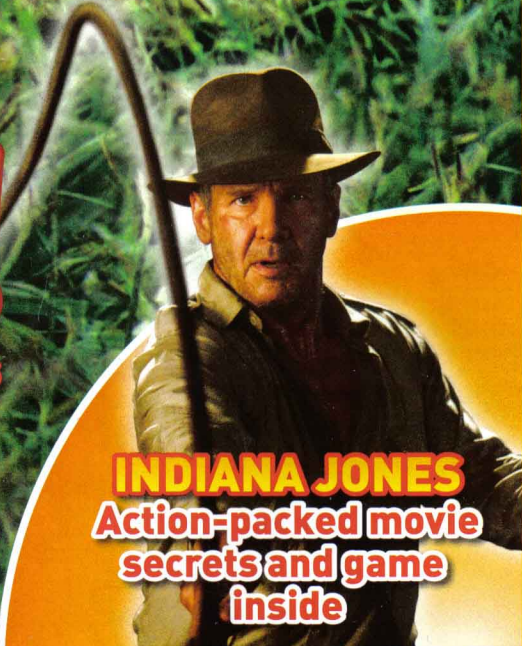
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Animal doctor



Four-legged, furred or finned, celeb vet Scott Miller will help you keep your pet pals happy and healthy!

Q Is it true that some flowers and plants that grow in spring could harm my dog?
Peter Lindsay, 12

It is true, Peter, and as dogs and cats fancy the odd nibble on a leaf, your house and garden should be cleared of all pet-poisoning plants and flowers, such as daffodils, lilies, cherry laurel or philodendron. There are quite a few other flowers that can harm our four-legged friends, so ask for a full list from your local vet – and get your pruners at the ready!



"Aaa-tchoo! Daffodils get right up my nose!"

Dog © Getty Images UK



Q My bunny, Bumpkin, keeps pulling out her fur. Is she upset?
Laura Spool, 10

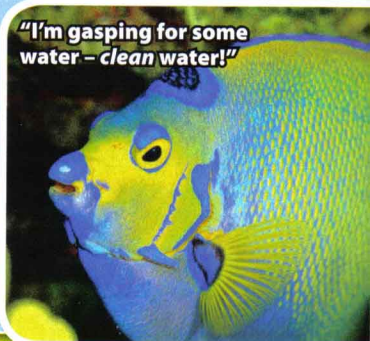
There could be many things bothering Bumpkin, Laura, including mites or fleas, so it's important your vet checks her over for these itchy nasties. If she's given the all clear, then it's most likely your bunny's just bored! Let Bumpkin out of her hutch every day for a run around, play with her more, and give her non-treated wooden toys to chew when she's indoors. Hopefully, Bumpkin will soon be back to the happy, and fluffy, little bunny you remember!

Boy, I am one bored bunny!

Q My pet fish looks like it's gasping for breath!
Matt Skink, 12

Don't worry, Matt. Although it may seem like your fish is drowning, it's likely you just need to change the water, as its ammonia, nitrates and pH levels all have an affect on your fishy friend's health. But look out for signs of parasites or disease, too, such as redness or mucus around the gills, which you can treat with anti-parasite solutions. Hopefully, your pet pal will feel splashing again soon!

"I'm gasping for some water – clean water!"



Do you have a question for our resident vet, Scott? Write or email it to him and mark your mail *Animal Doctor* (see 'Write to us' box on top left).