



Come, sit, stay, and read this issue about some of our favorite furry friends. It's doggone fun!



The Scottish Terrier



The Scottish Terrier, or Scottie, was originally known as part of a breed of dogs called the Skye Terrier and came from the highlands of Scotland. This tough, independent group of dogs were useful as loyal watchdogs. They were originally bred to hunt and fight badgers and foxes and to chase squirrels, mice, and rats away from farms.

The first written record about a dog with a similar description to the compact, wiry-haired Scottie was dated from 1436 in the book *The History of Scotland 1436-1561*. In the 1600's Sir Joshua Reynolds painted a portrait of a young girl petting a dog that looks very similar to the Scottie dog of today. King James VI of Scotland, after becoming King James I of England, sent six terriers to a French king as a gift. His love of the dog made this breed more popular around the world. In the 19th century, the fourth earl of Dumbarton nicknamed his pack of Scottish Terriers the "Diehards" because of their stubborn determination. That nickname stuck and later inspired the earl to name his Regiment of Scottish soldiers as "Dumbarton's Diehards."

Scotties were introduced to America in the 1890's and by 1936 they were the third most popular breed in the U.S. The makers of the game board Monopoly used the Scottie as one of their tokens. Famous people that have owned Scotties include: President Franklin Roosevelt and his wife Eleanor, President George W. Bush, Queen Victoria, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Rudyard Kipling, and the president of Poland, Lech Kaczynski. In May 2007, Carnegie Mellon University chose the Scottish Terrier as its official mascot and as a way to honor the Scottish heritage of the university's founder.

The Scottish Terrier has a long and rich heritage as not only a hardworking and useful dog, but as a delightfully loyal and energetic companion.



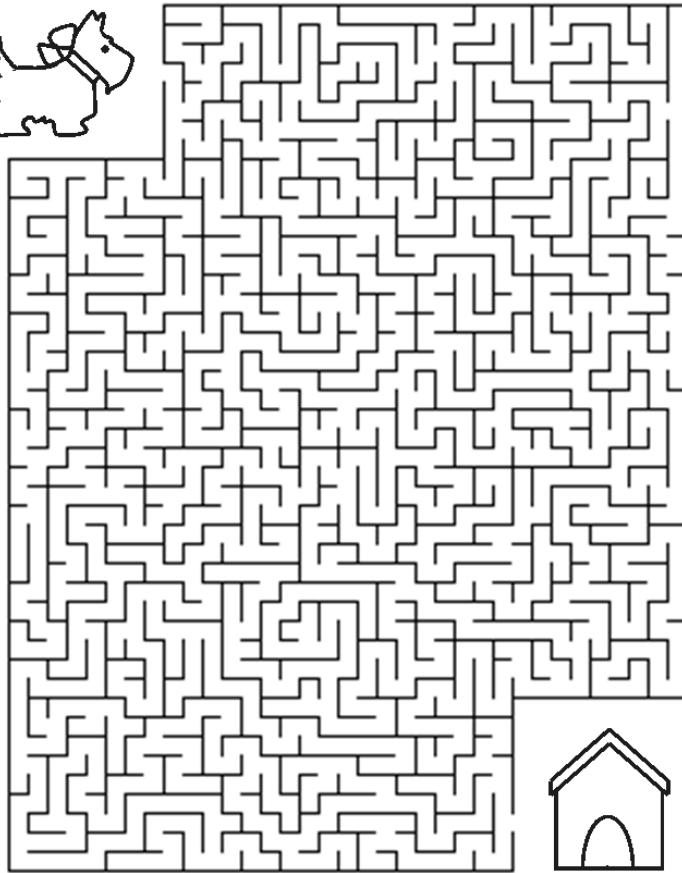
The most popular game token for Monopoly is the Scottie .



Scottish Terriers at work on a Cairn in the West Highlands, painting by James Robertson, 1835

Above: 1835 illustration of Scottish Terriers hard at work hunting foxes.
Left: President Franklin Roosevelt's beloved dog, Fala, is the only dog included in a memorial to an American president.

Help Scottie find his dog house.



How did the little Scottie dog feel when he saw a monster?

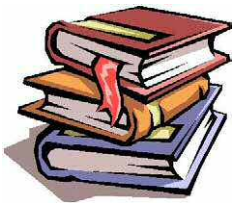
Terrier-fied!

What do you get if you cross a sheepdog with a rose?

A collie-flower!

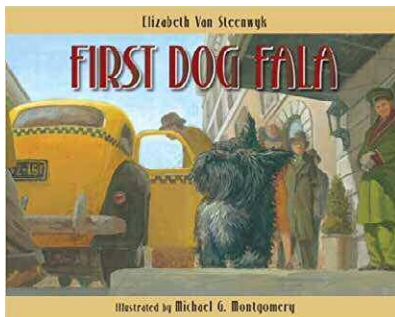
Why do dogs run in circles?

Because it's too hard to run in squares!



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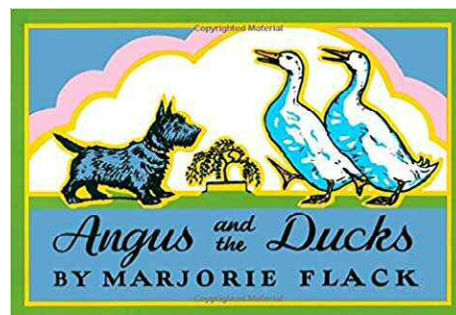
Tuck in with some sweet and silly books.



First Dog Fala

by Elizabeth Van Steenwyk
Ages 6-9

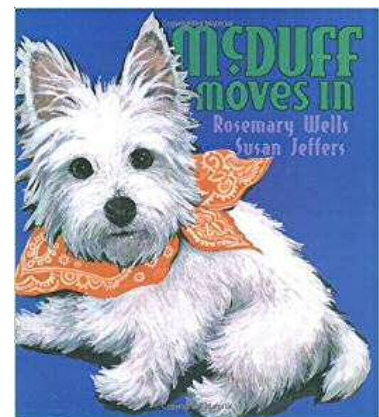
A delightful tale of President Roosevelt's dog and his life in the White House.



Angus and the Ducks

by Marjorie Flack
Ages 3-5

Angus, the curious terrier, goes exploring and discovers new neighbors.



McDuff Moves In by Rosemary Wells

All ages

A little terrier finds a loving home- and some warm custard- in this sweet story.