Lesson 2: Dogs as Human Companions (Part 3)

Recently, people have begun to treat dogs as companions.

There are now more and more restaurants and shops where people can bring their dogs.

Dogs are apparently regarded not just as pets but as family members.

There are also dogs that have the ability to heal people's minds.

Such dogs ease the minds of lonesome elderly people and sick children

with their gentleness as therapy dogs. Dogs are now our partners in society.

The more we understand their nature and individual characteristics,

the stronger our ties with dogs will become. In this way, dogs can truly be our best friends forever.

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[文法: 比較]

1. If you read more, you will learn more.

2. If you leave earlier, you will get there sooner.

[文法:比較]

1. The world is getting smaller  $\cdot$ 

the less I liked it.

2. The more words you know, • • and smaller with the progress in IT.

3. The more I listened to the CD, •

are visiting Japan these days.

4. More and more Chinese people  $\cdot$ 

• the more easily you can read English.

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T/F Quiz (1)\_\_\_\_ (2)\_\_\_ (3)\_\_\_\_

## 新出単語

単語	品詞	意味<英語>	意味
recently		not long ago, or at a time that started not long ago:	
treat		to behave towards someone or deal with something in a particular way:	
apparently		used to say you have read or been told something although you are not certain it is true:	
regard		to consider or have an opinion about something or someone:	
heal		to make or become well again, especially after a cut or other injury:	
ease		to make or become less severe, difficult, unpleasant, painful, etc.:	
elderly		polite word for old:	
lonesome		alone:	
therapy		a treatment that helps someone feel better, grow stronger, etc., especially after an illness:	
gentleness		not violent, severe, or strong:	
partner		a person or organization you are closely involved with in some way:	
individual		a single person or thing, especially when compared to the group or set to which they belong:	
truly		used to emphasize that what you are saying is true:	

## Question

1: How have people begun to treat dogs recently?

2: Why are some dogs called therapy dogs?