

# THE WCR LEARNING COMMUNITY

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Photo by Nancy Carson  
Dog waits for someone to play

## A dog in Cache Creek

Level 1

My daughter and I are on a road trip in B.C.  
It is the first day of our holiday.  
We see beautiful scenery  
on the **Coquihalla** Highway.

### Our first stop

We stop in **Cache** Creek for the first night.  
We want to visit the famous  
Hat Creek Ranch.

### Cache Creek

Cache Creek is a stopping place.  
People who drive north stop there.  
In the 1800s, many men stopped here.  
They were going north to find gold.  
People now visit to hike, fish, or camp.

### Our motel

Our motel is called the *Bear's Claw* Lodge.  
The lodge is made out of logs.  
I park the car in the back.  
We take out our bags.  
My daughter stretches.  
She enjoys the fresh air.  
I go into our room.

### A surprise

Suddenly, she calls me.  
I look out the window.  
A dog is standing in front of her.  
“Look!” she says.  
I think, “Look at what?”



Photo by Nancy Carson  
Dog makes the first move

### A friendly dog

A dog is playing with a small rock.  
He pushes it with his **paw**.  
She is surprised.

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He looks at the rock.

He looks at her.

He pushes the rock again.

Maybe he wants to play.

She kicks the rock.

The dog runs to the rock.

He pushes the rock again.

And he waits.

Again and again he plays.

We laugh and laugh.



Photo by Nancy Carson  
Another player joins the game

### Smart animals

People tell us many dogs like to play soccer.

We will remember Cache Creek.

But we talk about this dog more.

### Vocabulary:

- **Coquihalla:** (Co - kwi - **hal** - la)
- **Cache Creek:** (Cash Creek)
- **claw:** a sharp, curved nail on the foot of an animal or bird
- **paw:** the foot of an animal with the nails on it (cat, dog, rabbit, etc.)

(Exercise, Links and Answers are on the next page.)

## Exercise:

### Words with "AW"

Read the words in the word bank carefully. Then look for a meaning for each one.

Write the correct "aw" word beside its meaning.

raw	draw	crawl	paw	straw
claw	bawl	law	saw	shawl

1. Not cooked \_\_\_\_\_
2. To move on your hands and knees \_\_\_\_\_
3. The foot of an animal with nails on it \_\_\_\_\_
4. You can use it to drink something. \_\_\_\_\_
5. You can cut wood with this. \_\_\_\_\_
6. The nail on a bird's foot \_\_\_\_\_
7. A rule you must follow \_\_\_\_\_
8. To cry loudly like a baby \_\_\_\_\_
9. To make a picture with a pencil \_\_\_\_\_
10. A piece of fabric worn around your shoulders \_\_\_\_\_

### Links:

Cache Creek with map:

<http://www.hellobc.com/cache-creek.aspx>

Historic Hat Creek Ranch:

<http://bcheritage.ca/cariboo/wagonroa/hat.htm>

Dog plays soccer:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vTRuT1olx2Y>

Dog plays soccer with two women:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AcmWhSOA7AI&feature=related>

### Answers:

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|---------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|
| 1. raw  | 2. crawl | 3. paw  | 4. straw | 5. saw    |
| 6. claw | 7. law   | 8. bawl | 9. draw  | 10. shawl |