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| Chapter 15  |  |
| 1.calcium-to-phosphorus ratio  | For most pets is considered to be 2:1 (2 parts calcium to 1 part phosphorus).  |
| 2. fur slip  | The release of fur.  |
| 3. grotzen  | The center back strip of a fur pelt.  |
| 4. impaction  | A condition in which the small intestine or large intestine become tightly packed with food material or feces.  |
| 5. metritis  | An inflammation of the uterus.  |
| 6. otitis  | An inner ear infection.  |
| 7. pathogenic organisms  | Organisms capable of causing disease; their toxins can be absorbed into and distributed throughout the body by the circulatory system.  |
| 8. polygamous  | Having more than one mate.  |
| 9. prime fur  | New hair growth that starts at the neck and progresses toward the rear of the animal.  |
| 10. priming line  | When new hair is coming up through the old hair a darker, a distinct line can be seen.  |
| 11. progeny  | Offspring.  |
| 12. pyometra  | An accumulation of pus in the uterus, which usually follows a case of metritis.  |
| 13. trophozoites  | The growing stage of a protozoan parasite.  |
| 14. veil CHAPTER 16 | Tips of the fur. |
| 15. aplastic anemia  | A disease that occurs as a result of not being bred.  |
| 16. bib  | The patch of white below the chin and on the throat.  |
| 17. estrogen  | The female hormone that promotes estrus.  |
| 18. ferreting  | Hunting rabbits.  |
| 19. hobs  | Male ferrets.  |
| 20. jills  | Female ferrets.  |
| 21. kits  | Juvenile ferrets.  |
| 22. mitt  | Silver with white feet.  |
| 23. oviduct  | A tube or duct that egg cells pass through.  |
| 24. ovulation  | The release of the egg cells from the ovaries into the oviduct.  |
| Chapter 17  |  |
| 25. anointing  | A hedgehog licking at a new smell or object, producing a foamy saliva which is then applied to it spines.  |
| 26. keratin  | The protein that makes up hair, nails, and horns.  |
| 27. parturition  | The birthing process.  |
| 28. polyestrous  | Capable of having several litters during a year.  |
| Chapter 18  |  |
| 29. bulbous  | The bulb-like enlargement at the tips of the inner toes of the hind feet on sugar gliders which are adapted for grasping and hanging on to branches.  |
| 30. joeys  | Out-of-the-pouch youngsters.  |
| 31. marsupial  | Animals that lack a placenta and have an abdominal pouch in which the young develops.  |
| 32. marsupium  | A pouch in which the young are raised during early infancy.  |
| 33. omnivorous  | An animal that feeds on both plant and animal material.  |
| 34. patagium  | A thin, furred membrane that stretches from the wrists to the ankles.  |
| 35. priapism  | Persistent erection of the penis.  |
| 36. syndactyl  | An animal with two or more toes connected or fused together |