

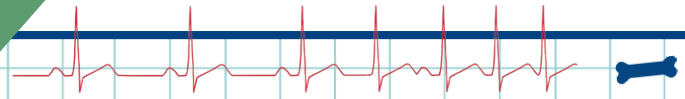


Noel Fitzpatrick



Noel Fitzpatrick is a famous vet who is known for giving pets **bionic** legs. He has a TV show called The Supervet.

What Was Noel's Childhood Like?



Noel was born in Ireland on 13th December 1967. Noel grew up living on his family's farm where he helped to care for the cattle and sheep. He loved working with the creatures on the farm. These experiences made him want to become a vet so that he could carry on caring for animals.

What Work Does Noel Do as a Vet?



Noel went to university to learn how to be a vet and he completed his training in 1990. After this, Noel moved to London to carry out more special vet training.

Noel opened his first animal hospital in 2005. It is one of the largest animal hospitals in the UK. Noel's hospital is special because it cares mainly for pets with injured bones and muscles. Noel can offer some treatments that many other vets cannot. His skilled team often provides pets with new legs which is something that not many other vets can do.

What Is The Supervet?



The Supervet is a TV **documentary** show that started in 2015. It is filmed at Noel's hospital and it shows Noel and his team caring for injured pets and talking to their owners. Noel often gives pets bionic leg replacements on the show.

Did You Know...?

Noel had a pet sheepdog named Pirate when he was a boy.



Noel also learnt how to act and has starred in some TV shows and films.

In 2010, Noel gave an injured cat two new bionic legs. He was the first ever vet to give an animal two new legs.



What Other Work Does Noel Do?



Noel also works as a university teacher and he helps to train vet students.

Noel thinks that doctors and vets should work together more. He would like doctors to begin to use bionic legs and arms on humans like the ones that he uses on animals.

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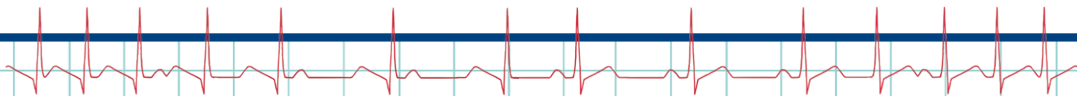
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Glossary



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documentary: A TV programme that gives facts about a real subject.



Questions

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- The Supervet
- The Superhero
- The Superfarmer

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- Noel gave Oscar the cat two bionic legs.
- Noel was born in Ireland.
- Noel opened his first animal hospital.

3. Which type of animal was Noel's pet, Pirate? Tick one.

- cat
- dog
- cow
- sheep

4. Draw **four** lines and complete each sentence.

Noel worked on the family farm...

Noel trained how to be an actor...

Noel gave Oscar the cat two bionic legs...

Noel met The Queen...

and he showed her some animals with bionic legs.

when he was a boy.

and was the first vet to do this.

and starred in TV shows and films.

5. Fill in the missing word.

Noel Fitzpatrick is a famous _____ who is known for giving pets bionic legs.

6. Look at the section called **What Work Does Noel Do as a Vet?**

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Pupils' own responses, such as: Noel's show is probably called 'The Supervet' because he carries out operations on animals that other vets can't. For example, he gives pets new bionic legs. Some people may think of him as a being like a superhero.

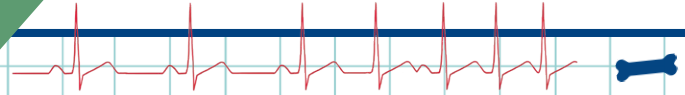


Noel Fitzpatrick



Noel Fitzpatrick is a well-known vet who is famous for giving animals **bionic** legs. He also stars in the TV show called The Supervet.

What Was Noel's Childhood Like?



Noel was born in Ireland on 13th December 1967. Noel helped to care for the cattle and sheep on the family farm while he was growing up. As a boy, he had a pet sheepdog named Pirate who he cared greatly for. These experiences working with animals were what made Noel want to become a vet. He says that he feels it is his destiny to care for animals.

What Work Does Noel Do as a Vet?



Noel went to the University College Dublin to train to be a vet. He finished his training there in 1990. Noel then moved to London, England to carry out more special vet training.

Noel opened his first animal hospital in 2005 in Surrey, England. The hospital is one of the largest animal hospitals in the UK. Noel's hospital is special because it cares for pets with injured bones and muscles and it offers special treatments that many other vets cannot. Noel and his team often give pets new legs. Not many vets perform these types of operations.

Did You Know...?

Noel trained to be an actor while he was in London. He starred in some TV shows and films.

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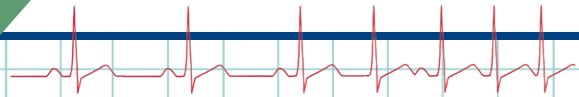


The Supervet is a TV **documentary** that first began in 2015. The show is filmed at Noel's hospital and it shows many caring pet owners as they talk to Noel about their pets' problems. Many of the owners that appear on the show have come to Noel's hospital because their own vets can no longer help their pet. The documentary often sees Noel and his highly-skilled team carry out bionic leg replacements as well as other complicated operations on pets.

Did You Know...?

Noel was invited to meet The Queen to show her some of the work that he had been doing at his hospital. She met some of the animals that had received bionic legs.

What Other Work Does Noel Do?



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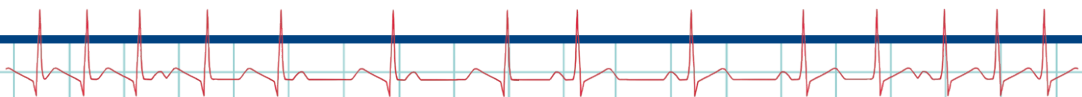
Noel believes that doctors and vets should work together more. He feels that a lot of human and animal treatments could be carried out in a similar way. He would like doctors to consider using bionic legs and arms on humans like the ones that he uses on animals.

Glossary



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Questions

1. Which country was Noel born in? Tick one.

- England
- Scotland
- Wales
- Ireland

2. Which of the following did Noel train to do when he was in London? Tick one.

- act
- dance
- sing
- write

3. Draw **four** lines and match each event to the correct year.

1990

2010

2015

2005

Noel gave Oscar the cat two bionic legs.

Noel's TV show, The Supervet, first began.

Noel opened his first animal hospital.

Noel finished his vet training.

4. What happened when Noel met The Queen? Tick one.

- He showed her the animals on his farm.
- He showed her the films that he had starred in.
- He showed her some of the work that he had been doing at the hospital.
- He showed her an episode of The Supervet on TV.

5. Fill in the missing words.

Noel's hospital is special because it cares for pets with injured _____
and _____.

6. Which new body part do Noel and his team often give to pets?

7. How do you think that Noel felt after he gave Oscar the cat two new legs?

8. Sum up what you have learnt about Noel Fitzpatrick.

Answers

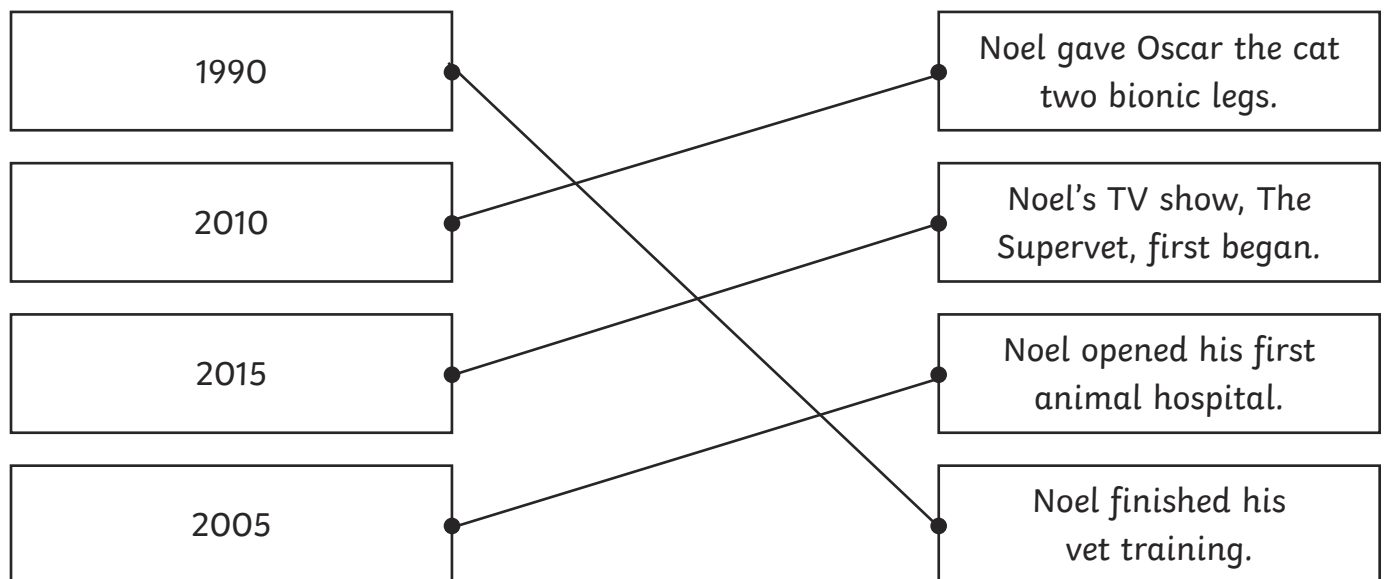
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7. How do you think that Noel felt after he gave Oscar the cat two new legs?

Pupils' own responses, such as: Noel probably felt very relieved that the operation went well and pleased he was able to help Oscar. He may also have felt proud to be the first vet to give a pet two new legs.

8. Sum up what you have learnt about Noel Fitzpatrick.

Pupils' own responses, such as: Noel is a famous vet who gives pets new bionic legs. He is one of the only vets that perform these operations. He stars in the TV show called The Supervet. He also works as a university teacher to train new vets.

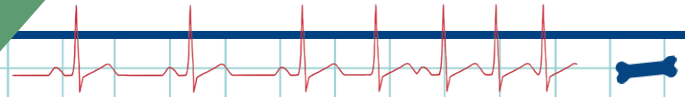


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Noel's Childhood



Noel was born on 13th December 1967. As a child, Noel helped to care for the cattle and sheep on the family farm in Laois, Ireland. Working on the farm was what inspired Noel's love of animals. He formed a very close bond with the family sheepdog named Pirate. When he was a child, he tried to save the life of a newborn lamb; he says that he feels that it is his destiny to care for animals.

Noel as a Vet



Noel completed his training in **veterinary** science at the University College Dublin in 1990. He then moved to England to carry out further specialist vet training. Alongside these studies, Noel also trained to be an actor while living in London. He starred in films and TV shows before deciding to focus on his career as a vet.

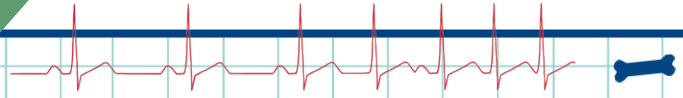
In 2005, Noel opened Fitzpatrick **Referrals** - his first animal hospital - in Surrey, England. The hospital is one of the largest of its kind in the UK. Many people take their pets to Noel's hospital in the hope that Noel and his experienced team can solve their pet's complex problems. Noel is famous for carrying out operations on animals' muscles and bones and he often gives injured pets new bionic legs. Very few vets perform these types of operations.

Noel's bionic work was entered into the Guinness Book of World Records in 2010 when he gave a cat called Oscar, who had suffered a farming accident, two new bionic legs.

In 2015, Noel opened another special animal hospital to care for seriously ill animals.

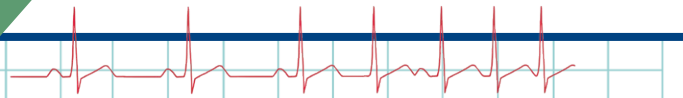


Noel the Supervet



Noel stars in the TV show *The Supervet* which first started in 2015. The documentary is filmed at Noel's hospital and it shows devoted owners as they look for specialist treatment for their sick and injured pets. Often, Noel is seen as their last hope since many of the pets can no longer be cared for by their own vets. Noel has performed many bionic and prosthetic surgeries on the show as well as other complicated operations.

Noel's Other Work



Noel also works as a university teacher at the University of Surrey where he helps to train vet students. In 2016, Noel was invited to meet The Queen to discuss his pioneering work and he showed her some of the animals that had received bionic legs.

Noel believes in an idea called One Medicine. He feels strongly that doctors and vets should collaborate more. Noel also believes that doctors should consider using bionic implants like the ones that he uses on animals. Noel has created a charity called The Humanimal Trust to try to encourage a closer relationship between human care and animal care.

Glossary



bionic: A mechanical or electronic artificial body part.

documentary: A TV programme that gives facts about a real subject.

prosthetic: An artificial body part (usually legs or arms).

referral: When a person or animal's care is passed on to a specialist.

veterinary: The treatment of animals.

Questions

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- University of Surrey
- University College London

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- Noel opened his first animal hospital.

3. Fill in the missing words.

Noel is famous for carrying out _____ on animals' muscles and bones
and he often gives injured pets new _____ legs.

4. What else did Noel train to do while he was living in London?

5. Look at the section of the text called **Noel as a Vet**.

Find and copy one word which means the same as 'complicated'.

6. Explain how you think that Oscar's owners felt after Noel gave him two new bionic legs.

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Pupils' own responses, such as: Oscar's owners probably felt relieved that Oscar can walk again and thankful to Noel that he was able to help him.

7. Why do you think that Noel chose the name 'The Humanimal Trust' for his charity?

Pupils' own responses, such as: Noel probably chose the name The Humanimal Trust because 'Humanimal' is made by joining together the words 'human' and 'animal'. This shows that Noel thinks doctors and vets should work together more closely.

8. Sum up what you have learnt about Noel Fitzpatrick in 30 words or fewer.

Pupils' own responses, such as: Noel is a famous vet. He often gives pets new bionic legs. He stars in The Supervet documentary show and he also works as a university teacher.