



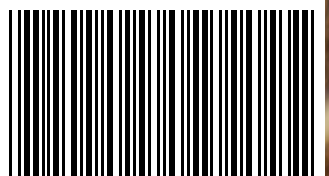
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There are wild animals all over the world.

Wild animals find their own food and water.

Wild animals find a safe place to rest and sleep.

Most wild animals live without help from people.



Talk to your supervisor about the wild animals you have seen today.



A long time ago people took some wild animals and gave them food and water. They did not let the animals go free again.

The people tamed the animals.

Some of the tamed animals were kept because people used them for food and clothes.



Today in Aotearoa, cows are kept for milk and meat and leather.

Hens are kept for eggs and meat.

Sheep are kept for wool and meat.



Talk to your supervisor about the tame animals you have seen today.





People can use tame animals to do work for them.

Elephants and cattle can carry heavy things and pull heavy loads.

In Aotearoa, some farmers use horses to work for them on the farm.



Talk to your supervisor about why a farmer might use a horse, not a motorbike or tractor.





Dogs do many different jobs. They can work as a team and pull things.



Dogs can herd other animals.

Dogs can be used as guide dogs for blind people or hearing dogs for deaf people.



Dogs can do dangerous jobs with the police or army.

Talk to your supervisor about animals that do jobs for people.



Tamed animals which people care for and love are called pets.



Pets live with people in their homes.



Some people think their pets are their friends.



People have many different animals for pets.



It is a big decision to get a pet.

You will have to care for your pet for many years.

You are responsible for it.

When you have a pet, it is like having another person in your family.



You need to think about what your animal will need before you decide which pet to get.

There are rules about keeping some pets. You need to know what these rules are.





Just like people, all pets need certain things.

### **Food**

Your pet needs food to help it grow and to keep it healthy.

It needs food for energy. It must eat the right food. It is important that it does not eat too little or too much food.

If your pet eats too much or eats the wrong food it can get sick. You need to give it fresh food in a clean bowl each day.



### **Water**

Your pet needs clean water. Check its water bowl every day.



### **Shelter**

Your pet needs to be protected from the cold and heat.

It needs a comfortable, safe place to sleep.

Talk to your supervisor about the different things that pets need.

**Exercise**

Make sure that your pet has some exercise each day. This could be a walk, a game or a run.

This helps to keep your pet healthy and happy.

**Friends**

Most pets enjoy being with people and other animals.

If your pet is on its own all the time it can be bored and unhappy.

**Health**

Help your pet to be happy and healthy by providing the right food, plenty of exercise and a safe and comfortable place to sleep.

Take your pet to the vet if your pet is not well. Your pet may need to have injections each year to keep it healthy.



Talk to your supervisor about other things that a pet may need.



A big dog can cost a lot of money to buy. Vet bills can cost a lot too.

A big dog needs to have space to run around. It needs to live in a house with a fence all around the section.

It needs a kennel or a warm and safe place to sleep and rest.



A big dog will eat a lot of food. This can cost a lot of money.

It needs to go for a walk and get some exercise every day.



All dogs need to be registered with the local council.

A big dog needs to be well trained so that it is safe around people and does what it is told.



Lots of people have a cat for a pet.

A cat does not cost a lot of money to buy or to feed.



Cats sleep much of the time and do not need to be exercised.



Some cats live inside all the time.

Most cats spend time both inside and outside.



They can have a special door so they can come in and go out of the house.

Most cats enjoy being stroked and their owners like hearing their cats purring!



Fish can be pets too.

Some fish do not cost a lot of money to buy.



You need to have a tank or a bowl and you need to keep it clean.

Fish eat special food that you buy at the pet shop or in the supermarket.

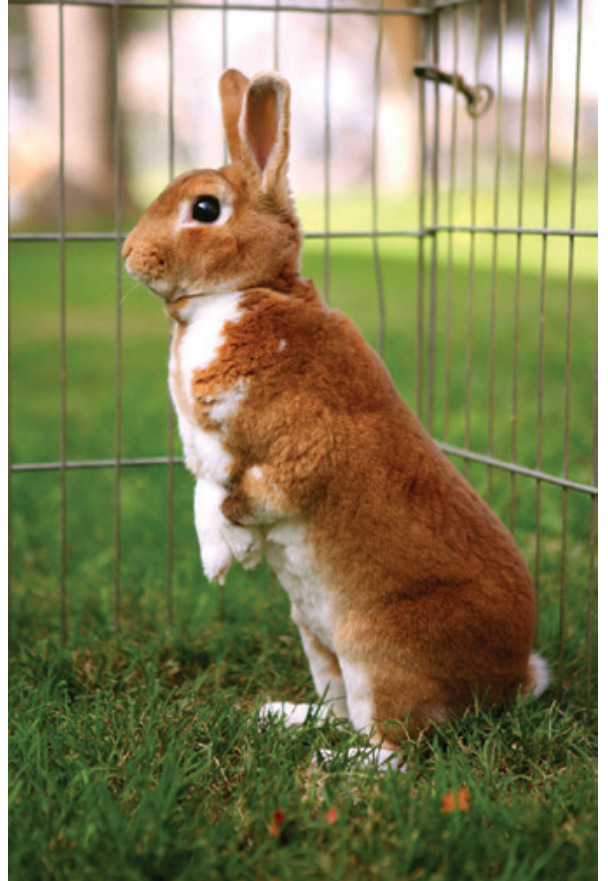


A fish is a good pet for people who live in a small house with no garden.

Some people keep a pet rabbit in a cage.

The cage can be in the house or in the garage. Sometimes you can put the cage outside on the grass. The rabbit will eat the grass.

You can buy special food from the pet shop for your rabbit and you can give them vegetables and fruit.



Some people have a pet bird in a cage. The cage can be in the house or in the garden.



A bird can be a good pet for people who do not have a lot of space. Birds can be quite noisy. They like to be with other birds and people.

Some birds copy words and sounds that they hear.

Talk to your supervisor about your pet or the pet you would like to have.



A separate workbook accompanies this reading booklet.

You can choose to complete activities after reading each section of the booklet or at the completion of the whole booklet.

You are encouraged to read the booklet several times to increase your comprehension.

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