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This book will help you pick your perfect pet!

Super Dogs

Dogs are great pets because they like to play.

But did you know that dogs have *super powers*?

Dogs can hear sounds that we can't hear. They are super sniffers, too. Dogs can smell at least 1000 times better than people can.

Meet my pet

Amy's dog is called Jazz. Jazz likes to go to the park with Amy.

Is a dog your perfect pet?

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♥ clever ♥ loyal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▲ leaves poo to be picked up ▲ can be noisy

Cuddly Cats

Cats make cuddly pets and they talk to you, too!
A 'meow' can mean 'play with me' or 'stroke me'.
A loud meow could mean 'Feed me!' (Cats can be bossy!)
Cats are sleepy pets. They sleep for about 15 hours every day.

Meow!



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Meet my pet

Luke's cat is called Pixie. Pixie likes to chase toys.

Is a cat your perfect pet?

Pros

- ♥ playful
- ♥ clean

Cons

- ▲ sheds fur
- ▲ has sharp claws

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Clever Geckos

If you don't have much space, a gecko could be your perfect pet.
Geckos are little lizards. Most are good climbers. Their feet stick to walls to help them climb. They can even walk upside down!



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Meet my pet



Molly's gecko is called Tinsel. Tinsel likes to climb – onto Molly's head!

Is a gecko your perfect pet?

Pros

- ♥ easy to look after
- ♥ quiet

Cons

- ▲ can be shy
- ▲ needs to eat living prey

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Skinny Stick Insects

Stick insects look amazing! They are long and thin, just like sticks. Stick insects are the longest insects.

A stick insect's leg can fall off ... but sometimes it can grow a new one!



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Tim's stick insect is called Twiggly. Twiggly likes to walk on Tim's hand.

Is a stick insect your perfect pet?

Pros

- ♥ quiet
- ♥ clean

Cons

- ▲ has lots of babies (if it's a female!)
- ▲ can't really play with you

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Busy Chickens

Would you like a pet that lives outside? If so, a chicken might be your perfect pet!

Chickens like to be busy. They scratch in the dirt, looking for bugs to eat. Chickens like to have a bath ... in the dust! This is how they look after their feathers.



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Jake's chicken is called Lola. Lola likes to follow Jake around.

Is a chicken your perfect pet?

Pros

- ♥ fun to feed
- ♥ lays eggs

Cons

- ▲ noisy
- ▲ needs space outside

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Pick Your Perfect Pet



1. Talk to your family to find out what they think about getting a pet.
2. Find out more about some different pets. You could even look after one for a day.
3. Look at the pros and cons of the pets. Then score each pet with your family.
4. Decide which pet is perfect for you.



Meet my pet

Which is your perfect pet?

Pet	Score (out of 5)
dog	🐾 🐾
cat	🐾 🐾 🐾 🐾 🐾
gecko	🦎 🦎 🦎 🦎
stick insect	🦘 🦘
chicken	🥚

Glossary

loyal: will always be there for you

prey: an animal that is eaten by another animal

sheds: takes off or drops a covering, such as fur or skin

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Questions

1. Why are dogs great pets? (page 4)
2. What are 2 pros of having a pet dog? (page 11)

1. _____

2. _____

3. How many hours a day do cats sleep for? Tick the correct answer. (page 6)

10 hours a day	<input type="checkbox"/>
15 hours a day	<input type="checkbox"/>
20 hours a day	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. What is Luke's cat called? (page 7)
5. Geckos can walk upside down. True or False? (page 8)
6. Find 2 adjectives to describe stick insects. (page 10)

1. _____

2. _____

7. What do chickens like to have a bath in? (page 12)
8. What would be your perfect pet and why?