



Essential Question

How can a pet be an important friend?



Go Digital!



Our Pet Friends

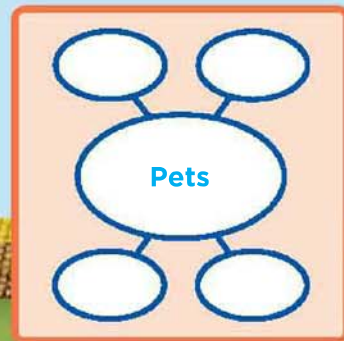
Pets can be our friends. Pets come in all shapes and sizes.

- ▶ Pets can make us laugh.
- ▶ Pets can help us.
- ▶ Pets love us.

Talk About It



Talk with a partner about having pets as friends. Write words on the word web that tell how pets are our friends.



Vocabulary

Use the picture and sentence to learn each word.



decide

I **decide** to have juice and cereal for breakfast.

What did you decide to eat for breakfast today?



different

The brown kitten is **different** than the orange kitten.

How are a horse and a cat different?



friendship

Because of their **friendship**, the kids played together a lot.

Tell about your friendship with a friend.



glance

I **glance** to see what book my sister is reading.

What word is the opposite of glance?



proper

It is **proper** to wipe your mouth during a meal.

Tell how to act in a proper way at the library.



relationship

Our teacher has a good **relationship** with our class.

What relationship do you have with your best friend?



stares

Helen **stares** at her friend.

What do you look like when you stare at something?



trade

Don and Luis **trade** baseball cards.

What things do you trade with your friend?

Your Turn

COLLABORATE



Pick three words. Write three questions for your partner to answer.

Go Digital! Use the online visual glossary

Finding Cal



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How can a pet be an important friend?

Read about a dog who becomes a boy's special friend.

September 25

Dear Diary,

It took Dad a long time to **decide**. He finally made up his mind. Dad came to my room tonight. He said I could get a dog! But it has to be a small or medium-sized dog. We will go to the animal shelter tomorrow.



Medium
Dog



Small Dog

September 26

Dear Diary,

Wow! There are so many **different** dogs at the shelter. There are big and little dogs. Some have soft fur and some have wiry hair.

Dad and I walked to one dog's cage. The tag said the dog's name was Cal. One quick **glance** at the cute dog, and I knew he was for me. Dad said, "Look, Jake! Look at how Cal **stares** at you." It was true! His eyes were wide open. He was looking right at me.



We put Cal on a leash and took him to a fenced yard. Cal smiled and stared at me. Cal wanted to play. In minutes he learned the **proper**, or correct, way to sit. He could walk on a leash nicely, too. I patted him on the head, and he licked my hand.

Cal licking
my hand!



Dad said, "I see a real connection between you and Cal." I agreed. We already had a good **relationship**.

Soon we were on our way home. Cal was nervous so I tried to make him feel better. I scratched his ears, and he liked it.

October 10

Dear Diary,

It has been a while since I have written. Cal has learned many new tricks like how to roll over. I have learned from Cal, too.



Cal's
Tricks!



Cal walks with Dad and me to school every day. Each night, Dad reads me a story. Cal lies next to me. I would not **trade** him for any other dog. I will keep him because our **friendship** is very special. Finding Cal was worth the wait!



Make Connections



How is Cal an important friend to Jake? **ESSENTIAL QUESTION**

Compare Jake's pet Cal to your pet or a pet you know. Tell how each pet is a good friend. **TEXT TO SELF**