

This week...

James and Wakana are deciding what kind of pet they would like to get. They are also reminiscing about the pets they used to have as a child.

Lesson Targets

- Deciding on a pet
- Reminiscing about the pets you had as a child

Daily English Conversation

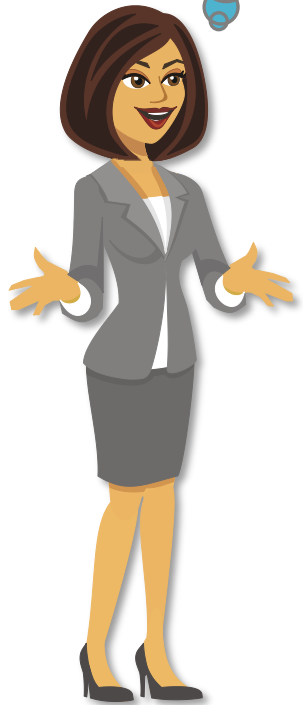
Super Class



What kind of pet did you have when you were a child?

Picture Description

Where is that family going?





* Choose the most appropriate meaning of the word from the four options.

1. quiet

- obtrusive
- clamorous
- notable
- muffled

2. attention

- oversight
- observation
- reproach
- scorn

3. true

- verifiable
- fraudulent
- phony
- misleading

4. responsibility

- blessing
- immunity
- discretion
- obligation

5. friendly

- hostile
- aloof
- affable
- obnoxious

6. cute

- sordid
- repulsive
- noxious
- endearing



Wakana	James, I think it is time we got a pet. I'd really like to get a dog.
James	I'm more of a cat person. We always had cats when I was growing up.
Wakana	We had a really cute terrier when I was a child. It was a very friendly dog and a great pet.
James	I've never had a dog before. Are they easy to take care of?
Wakana	They are not as easy to take care of as cats, but they can be lots of fun.
James	Cats are quieter and don't seem to need as much attention as dogs.
Wakana	That's true, but I really want to get a dog. We can get a cat a year or so later.
James	OK. I agree. Let's get a dog, but who is going to feed it and take it for walks every day?
Wakana	Of course that will be your responsibility.

Role Play – Pets



Student A and Student B are talking about what kind of pet they would like to get. They are also reminiscing about the pets they had when they were kids.

Key Phrases

- I think it's time we got a pet.
- I'm a cat/dog person.
- We always had when I was growing up.
- I really want to get
- We had a when I was a child.
- Who is going to take care of it every day?
- *Other*



Pets

- rabbit
- hamster
- dog
- cat
- snake
- bird
- turtle
- fish
- *other*



- Do you know someone who owns an unusual pet?
- What animal makes the best pet in your opinion?
- If you could be an animal, what would you choose to be? Why?



Dogs make better pets than cats.

A

Agree

B

Disagree



American Slang

- **paw** – hand
Get your **paws** off the cake! That is for dessert.
- **doggone** – used to express feelings of annoyance, surprise, or pleasure
It's a **doggone** shame that you missed the concert.



Australian Slang

- **cat's whiskers** – something great or perfectly suited
His new girlfriend is the **cat's whiskers**.
- **chook** – chicken
We have a few **chooks** as pets at our house.



British Slang

- **bee's knees** – to be excellent or of an extremely high standard
Have you tried this ice cream? It's the **bees knees**.
- **dog's dinner/dog's breakfast** – something that is messy or bungled
You've made a right **dog's dinner** of your homework!