



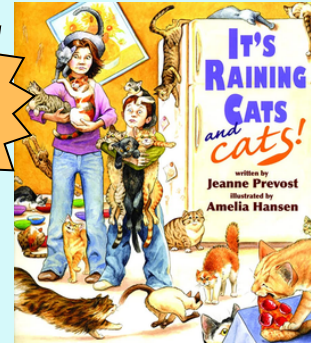
FUN IN THE SUN

Warmer weather means more time outside with our pets. Did you know dogs and cats can get sunburn just like us? Be sure your pet has access to shady spots like under trees or outdoor tents while spending time outside. You can even buy pet-safe sunscreen for your furry friend!



PAWS AND PAGES

FEATURED BOOK



Relax with your pet and read a book!

Practice your skills by reading out loud to your pets. Find a cozy spot with your furry friend and settle down with your book. They will enjoy spending time with you and listening to the story.

Visit your local library to find this story and others all about pets!

Do you have a favorite pet-themed book? Tell us what it is: Outreach@CThumane.org



SEASONAL TREATS

Here are some fresh fruits and veggies to share with your rabbit or guinea pig this spring! Remember to remove any skin or seeds.

Carrots



Radishes



Strawberries



Basil



Reminder: Treats are yummy, but they should only be given to pets occasionally.



SQEAQ SQUEAK: WHAT IS YOUR GUINEA PIG SAYING?

Have you noticed all the different sounds that guinea pigs can make? They make a lot of different noises to help communicate what they are feeling. Use the list below to help you distinguish a few of the many different sounds your pal might make.

Whoeking: a long, high-pitched squeal caused by excitement, typically from being fed.

Chattering: occurs by clicking their teeth together. This sound communicates anxiety or annoyance to a situation. This might occur when introducing guinea pigs and could give owners a clue that the interaction is not going well.

Chuting or **Clucking:** a sign your piggy is happy. The sound can occur when they are interacting with people or another guinea pig. A guinea pig might also make this sound when they are curious.

Bubbling: a very quiet vocalization that may go undetected. A bubbling pig is a sign of pure happiness.



Want to listen to some guinea pig sounds? Visit: CThumane.org/gpsounds



BRINGING HOME A NEW PUP



Bringing home a new dog can be really exciting. But keep in mind that your pup might feel a bit nervous being in a new place with people he just met. Follow these tips so you and your dog can have a positive experience right away!

- 1 Provide your pup with their own special space such as a dog bed or cozy crate in a quiet area.
- 2 Don't expect an instant connection. Give your new furry family member time to warm up and feel comfortable.
- 3 Creating a routine is a great way to help your pup settle in. This means feeding, playing and bathroom breaks around the same time every day.
- 4 Make sure to pick up any items your pet may confuse for a chew toy or that could be dangerous for your new pet.
- 5 Let your new pup eat, drink and sleep without any distractions or interruptions.



GETTING INVOLVED

Not everyone can have a pet and that's okay! Here are some ways you can still get involved.



Read a book about pets.



Visit CT Humane Society or another local shelter.



Watch a video about pets with an adult's permission.



Create a craft for pets in need with an adult's help.



Host a supply drive for a shelter or rescue.

Have other ideas for getting involved? Share it with us at: Outreach@CThumane.org



Help feed a family member's pet when they are away.

TRIVIA



True or False:
A parakeet's beak is always growing.

ACTIVITY

Directions: Can you guess what pet is pictured below?

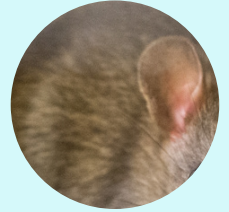












Activity answer: cat, rabbit, dog, guinea pig, parakeet, rat

Trivia answer: True

