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Companion Animal

Chapter 3 Small Animals as Pets worksheet

1. Are there unwanted animals in your area? What happens to them? Does a problem exist with unwanted animals? What should be done to correct the problems?

2. What are the questions one should ask before obtaining a pet?

3. What are four sources from which you can obtain pets? What are the advantages and disadvantages of each source?

4. What are some of the various lifestyles that people have? What pets might best fit those lifestyles?

5. What are some other costs of owning a pet besides the initial purchase price?

6. What lessons can children learn from having a pet? Are there other lessons not listed in the text?

7. Do animals have personalities? What are some of the personalities you have observed?
8. What are some other animal fads or status animals of recent years?
9. What do we mean by responsible pet ownership?
10. What do we mean by the terms spay and neuter? Should we have our pets spayed and/or neutered?
11. What are the benefits of pets to the elderly?
12. What are some of the therapeutic uses of pets?
13. What is euthanasia and why should it be considered by a pet owner? How would you counsel someone who is dealing with the loss of a pet?