



Pet Care Class Book

Objective

Create a class book about taking care of a pet

Preparation

This RedRover Readers activity was modified and translated into Spanish by Leticia G. in south Texas. The title of the book she created with her students was "Pasos para cuidar Mascotas" (Steps to take care for a pet). As a class they came up with these five things that pets need: 1. Carino (kindness/love) 2. Respeto (respect) 3. No hacer mucho ruido (do not make too much noise) 4. Cuidarlo (care for him) 5. No molestarlo (do not bother him).

Materials

1. *Duncan and Dolores* by Barbara Samuels
2. Folders with dividers
3. Sheets of paper
4. Glue
5. Crayons and/ or markers

Instructions

Invite students to brainstorm some necessary steps in order to take care of a pet. Once students come up with 4-5 important steps, have each student choose one step and illustrate it on a piece of paper with a written description of their drawing. Bind the finished pictures together to create a class book and work together on a cover page.

At the end of the lesson

After reading and discussing the book *Duncan and Dolores*, invite each student to draw pictures illustrating how to take care of a pet. Leave space for their sentence or word that will describe what they drew and their signature. Glue the drawings into the folder to create pages in the book. Add this book to your classroom library. Ask students to reflect on one of these questions: "What surprised you most about this lesson?" "What would you like to learn more about?" You can do this with the whole group, in a sharing circle or related class meeting format, by having students fill out index cards or another format you choose. We recommend that you ask different questions and have a variety of formats for the different books. Consider adding additional activities or lessons based on what they say they'd like to learn more about. Please share



with us student responses and stories about changes in attitude or behavior you observe by adding to your report about this reading or by emailing Readers@RedRover.org.