

To the
RESCUE!

RedRover Responders volunteers are trained to help dogs like Summer feel less scared after they have been rescued.



Meet Summer

When Hurricane Harvey came to Texas in August, people and pets left their homes for dry land. Not all of the shelters would take pets. Animals went to the SPCA (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) of Texas. RedRover helped take care of them. One of the dogs was a little terrier mix named

Summer. At the shelter, Summer missed her family. She was also nervous to be away from home. When Summer finally saw her family coming back for her, she wagged her tail hard and fast. “Mama came, and Summer was so happy,” says RedRover volunteer Janette Freeman.

Kind Questions ?

Now that you’ve read *Kind News*, challenge yourself with these questions.

1. Why do you think Summer feels nervous?
2. When do you feel this way? What does it feel like in your body?
3. How does Janette know that Summer is happy when she sees her “Mom”?

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ANIMAL EMOTIONS

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ANGRY?



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PLUS: Where's Camille? Find our favorite chameleon hidden in this issue.



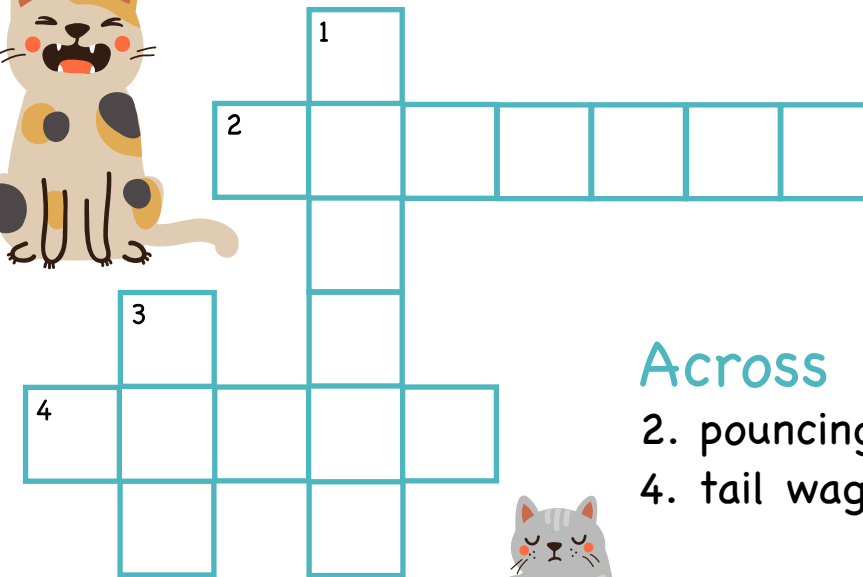
WHAT PET SHOULD YOU GET?

Dogs, cats, and other pets need different care. Before making animals part of your family, it's important to make sure you're ready. Here are some questions to answer with your family:

- 1 Do you have the time to play with them and give them exercise every day?
- 2 Are you ready to clean up after them?
- 3 Do you have enough money for food, supplies, and visits to the veterinarian?
- 4 Are you ready to care for them for their whole life? That can mean 20 years for cats!



Animal Emotions



Across

2. pouncing
4. tail wagging

Down

1. eyes closing
3. growling

Word List:

Happy Fearful
Excited Nervous
Sad
Playful
Sleepy
Relaxed
Aggressive



S	P	L	A	Y	F	U	L	W	X
N	L	E	X	C	I	T	E	D	M
F	E	E	R	E	L	A	X	E	D
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RIDDLE RAT!

WHAT IS A DOG'S FAVORITE INSTRUMENT?
(answer on p. 7)



DO CATS GET ANGRY?

Yes! In animals it is often called **aggression**. Aggression is how ready an animal is to attack. If you watch an animal closely, you can tell when he or she might attack.

Many times, animals feel other emotions before anger. The emotion of fear sometimes comes before anger or aggression. If cats feel like someone might hurt them, they may feel they need to attack.

Sometimes an animal's aggression comes from feeling like they have to protect where they live, or their **territory**.

Other times aggression comes from wanting to hunt. Cats are predators, so you may see cats attack because they are hunting.

It can be hard to tell when a cat is aggressive or just being playful. A playful cat may "attack" you or your shoe, but true aggression has signs.



HERE ARE
WAYS AN ANGRY
OR AGGRESSIVE
CAT SAYS
STAY BACK!



- Hissing
- Growling
- Arching back like a Halloween cat
- Hairs standing straight up on the back
- Fluffy tail
- Flicking tail

**HOW DO YOU THINK
RAJA, THE CAT, FEELS IN
THESE ILLUSTRATIONS?
HOW CAN YOU TELL?**





Brown bear, brown bear, what do you see?

Look closely at these animals. What do you notice about their eyes? Where are the eyes located on their head? Which animals have eyes most like your eyes?



Tell pets you love
them this Valentine's
Day with some
homemade treats!



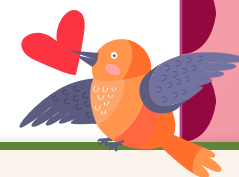
Pumpkin & Peanut Butter

Dog Treats

- 1 cup** whole wheat flour or crushed oats
- 1/3 cup** canned pumpkin (just pumpkin)
- 1/4 cup** peanut butter without sugar

Instructions

- 1** Preheat your oven to 300°F (150°C).
- 2** Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
- 3** If using rolled oats, use a food processor to grind the oats into a flour.
- 4** Add the pumpkin and peanut butter to the flour and blend until a sticky dough is formed.
- 5** Roll out dough on a lightly floured surface.
- 6** Cut out cookies using a small dog bone or heart cookie cutter for Valentine's Day or just cut into squares with a knife.
- 7** Bake cookies for 25 to 30 minutes, until the treats are dry and hard.



Visit RedRover's
Pinterest page for
more recipe ideas,
including treats for
cats. No pets in your
home? Before making
treats, call your animal
shelter. Ask if you can
donate homemade
treats for the animals!



Read the book **Freckles and Willie** by Margery Cuyler. This book is about a boy who makes a valentine for his dog!

Visit RedRover.org/Readers to learn more about RedRover Readers, where kids listen and talk about books like *Freckles and Willie* and practice the skills needed for empathy.

