NAME THAT Emotion!

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Follow these steps to teach a dog to sit!

1. Hold a treat up so the dog can see and smell it.
3. Wait until she sits. This could take a long time!
4. When she sits, give her the treat and say, “GOOD DOG!”

Ask your parents if your family can subscribe to our new Kids’ YouTube channel, RedRover Reporters, to watch fun animal videos!

MUTTS

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I can be wild or **domesticated**—raised by people.

2. When domesticated, I enjoy being with people.

3. I can’t see very well. I use my other senses, like smell, to find food.

4. To keep my teeth from growing too long, I chew all kinds of things.

5. I have a great memory. I can learn my name and come when it is called!

### WHAT AM I? _______________
Animals can feel happy, sad, scared, and mad. But there are a lot more emotions than these basic four. Think about all the words that describe ways of being happy. Think about a time you felt loving toward a person or animal. Think about a time when you felt excited. These are kinds of happy emotions. Do you think animals can feel loving and excited just like you?

How Emotion-Wise Are You?

Do you know these words? Do you know when you feel them? Put a checkmark next to the words you know.

☐ Curious  ☐ Excited  ☐ Loving  ☐ Playful
☐ Joyful  ☐ Content  ☐ Hopeful

How did you do?  ____ / 7

7: Emotion Ace: When it comes to emotions, you are a star!

4-6: Positive Pal: You are well on your way to knowing emotions! Keep working to learn new emotion words, and think about when you are feeling them.

2-3: Eager to Learn: You know a few positive emotions. Circle the words you want to learn. Talk to an adult about what they mean.
Animals can’t talk, so they can’t tell us how they feel. How they act may give us clues, though! Watch animals to see how they act, or their behavior, and you may see their emotions.

Circle the kind of happy you think each animal most likely feels in each picture:

Max and his boy from the book *Max Talks to Me*. by Claire Buchwald, illustrated by Karen Ritz

Aaron and Margaret from the book *Hens for Friends*. by Sandy De Lisle, illustrated by Amelia Hansen

Rosalita and Bella from *The Forgotten Rabbit*. by Nancy Furstinger, illustrated by Nancy Lane

Mel and Lucky from *Call the Horse Lucky*. by Juanita Havill, illustrated by Nancy Lane

These heartwarming stories about friendship between kids and pets are published by The Gryphon Press. Learn more at www.thegryphonpress.com. For more book ideas visit RedRover.org/books.
Animals, including people, have cells in their eyes that sense light. **Cells** are the building blocks of living bodies, and there are many different types. The eyes have **cone cells** for seeing color. The eyes have rod cells for seeing at night. **Rod cells** also help eyes see motion.

Cats see well at night because they have many more rod cells in their eyes than people. Dogs also have more rod cells in their eyes. Both cats and dogs are better at seeing fast motion than people.

Animal eyesight helps an animal survive in its habitat. Eagles can see eight times as far as people. They can hunt for prey two miles away!

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**Can Dogs and Cats See Color?**

Yes! But likely not as many colors as we can.
“Raja Book 3,” the final conclusion to The Restricted Adventures of Raja series, will be available in March!

Download “Raja Book 1” and “Raja Book 2” to read about my mission to save planet Earth and how I end up turning into a cat!
Meet Cesky!

When The Marine Mammal Center got a call about a sea lion alone on a California beach, they sent people to help right away. A plastic packing strap from a shipping box clung tightly around her neck. She also had scars from being tangled in fishing line.

The people who rescued the sea lion, the volunteers, brought her back to The Center’s hospital. Veterinarians did an operation to remove the packing strap. They gave her medicine to help her wounds heal. They fed her lots of fish to help her gain weight.

They named her Cesky. After a few weeks, she was ready to go back home to the sea! “Cesky was a fighter,” says Adam Ratner, who works at The Marine Mammal Center. “We’re so excited we could save her and get her back to the ocean happy and healthy.”

The Center gave her a tag so that if she is found again, they’ll know it’s her. “We’re hoping we don’t see her again,” says Adam, “or if we do, it’s a report of her looking really good on a beach somewhere on the California coast.”

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

1. The less plastic we use—bags, bottles, and plastic straws—the less that can get into the ocean and hurt sea lions like Cesky! Ask your family, “How can we use less plastic?” Make a list of the ideas and post in your home!

2. Adam Ratner said they were excited to get Cesky back to the ocean and, “We’re hoping we don’t see her again.” Why do you think he feels this way? What are the emotions you would feel if you saw Cesky on the beach, nursed her back to health, and then released her back to her home in the wild?