

LOVE YOUR PET DAY

February 20th



8 to 12-year olds



Start with a class discussion: What is a pet? Who has a pet? What do pets need to feel happy?

Some of the answers might include the following: a pet is an animal that lives with /around you and that you look after. You are responsible for your pet. You need to feed it, give it water and make sure it lives in a comfortable environment.



Show learners the **Good welfare flashcards (pets being properly looked after)** and ask them to spot what makes the pet happy in each picture.

Some of the answers might include the following: the pet is taken to the vet's because it isn't feeling good. The pet has a comfortable living area. The pet is having fun with other animals.



Show learners the **Poor welfare flashcards (pets that don't look happy)** and ask why it might be the case for each picture.

Some of the answers might include: the pet is hungry. The pet feels lonely. The pet is in pain. The pet is scared.



Ask children to draw a pet being happy and to label what helps to make it happy (food, water, shelter, good health).

