

What Do Pets Need?

Draw a picture of a pet in the centre box. In the surrounding boxes, draw the things that the pet needs to stay happy and healthy.

The right food to eat and enough water to drink

The right place to live

Natural behaviour (such as playing, burrowing, gnawing)

Getting treatment when they are ill or injured

Being happy (such as having company)

Note for parents: The Animal Welfare Acts require pet owners, as well as those caring for livestock and other animals, to show a duty of care to provide pets with a suitable diet, the right environment or place to live, the ability to show normal behaviour, freedom from distress, and to be kept free from pain, injury, suffering and disease. These requirements are also enshrined in the RSPCA's 'Five Freedoms', which you can find out more about on their website.