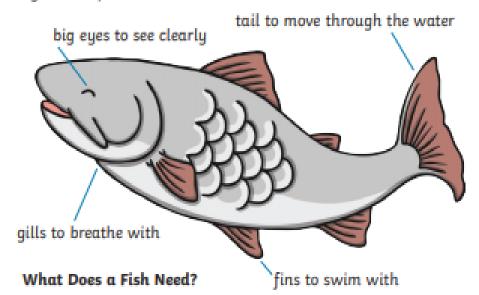
# Taking Care of a fish

Fish are very popular pets. Unlike dogs and cats, they are not soft and cuddly, but they are beautiful to watch and very calming.



#### What Does a Fish Look Like?

Fish, which come in a wide range of colours, are small animals that live in water. They move through the water using their fins and tails to help them. On the side, they have gills that they use to help them breathe underwater. Additionally, they have large eyes to help them look around.



In the home, fish need to be kept in

a fish tank. If there is just one fish, like a goldfish, then they can live in a fairly small tank but they need enough room to move freely. You may choose to keep lots of fish at one time, but if you do, you will need a large tank. Some fish live in cold water so their tank can be filled with water from the tap. Others need warm water to survive so their tank needs to have a special part that heats the water up. Some fish need fresh water, while others will need salt water in order to stay healthy.

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## What Else Do I Need to Keep My Fish Healthy?

It is vital to keep the water in fish tanks clean. This is because fish breathe using their gills (small slits down the side of their bodies). If the water is dirty, they are 'breathing in' the dirt from the water, which can make them ill. Fish tanks need cleaning regularly by hand, or by using a filter.



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# Questions

1.	What do gills help fish to do?
	swim
	breathe
	eat
2.	Why would you need a large fish tank?
3.	Why do some tanks need a water heater?
4.	Find and copy one word which means 'important'.
5.	What might happen to a fish if the owner forgot to keep its tank clean?
6.	In your opinion, would a fish be an easy pet to look after?

## **HOW TO LOOK AFTER A CAT**



#### Home

Cats are independent pets. They like to do what they want, when they want. Make sure that you have a cat flap in your door. This means that your cat can come in and go out when they want. Give your cat a basket or a blanket to curl up in. It must be in a warm spot.

#### What to feed your cat

Have a bowl of fresh water and fresh food in your home. Your cat should be able to eat and drink when they want. Tinned cat food or tuna is a good meal for your pet. Do not give your animal milk! Water is best for their tummies.

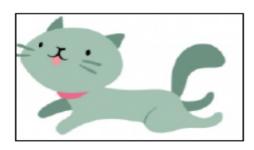
#### Taking your cat to the vets

Cats should be taken to the vets for a check up once a year and when they are sick. Sometimes they will need vaccinations.

Cats can be given tablets in their food to stop them getting worms and fleas.

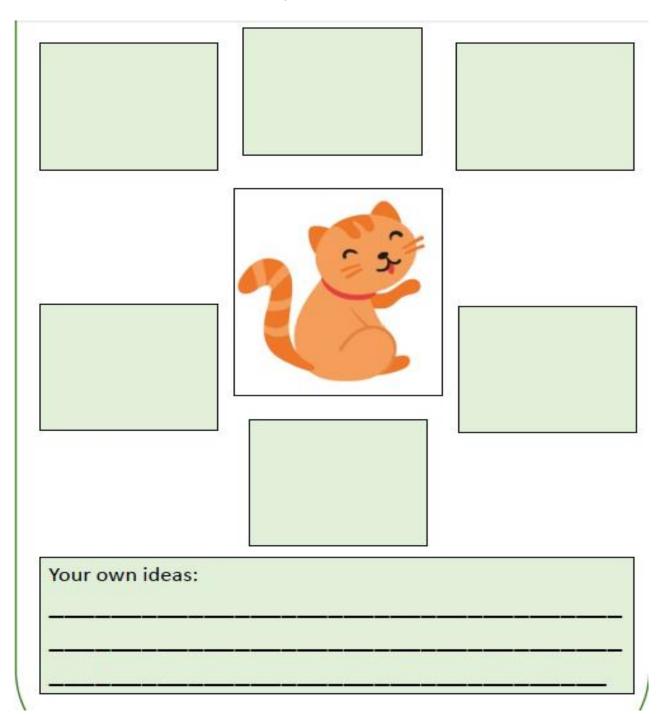
#### Grooming and care

Some cats can lose their fur. It is important to brush your cat with a soft brush.
Your pet will also want a cuddle and stroke at times.
Some like their heads and ears stroked, others their stomachs. It is important to get to know your animal as every one is different.



What do you need to do to keep a cat fit and healthy?

Use the text on the previous page to find six ideas. You could also think of six of your own.



Bossy verbs to start sentences
feed brush make
wash visit play take
bath gently hold put
stroke make sure

Words to help

feed brush make

bowl blanket clean

stroke walk diet

water love

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# English Day 4

My Monster	List of equipment needed for my monster:
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## **How To Look After A Bobblepof**

the bobblepof can make a delightful pet thay are very friendly and caring animals and can giv the owner many hours of fun each week

if you own a bobblepof you must mayk sure that it has fresh drinking water available at all times feed four times per day the best diet for the bobblepof includes lots of fresh insects

the bobblepof will need a spiky bed to sleep onn so that it can scratch it's back each evening