

Easy reading: Where's Roxy? (level 3) – exercises

Do the preparation exercise first. Then read the text and do the exercises to check your understanding.

Preparation

Match the vocabulary on the left with the correct definition and write a–h next to the number 1–8.

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| 1..... whiskers | a. talk, conversation |
| 2..... to munch | b. a metal structure, home for a pet or animals in a zoo |
| 3..... trainers | c. very small pieces of bread or cake |
| 4..... to stroke | d. long hairs that cats, rats and other small animals have on their faces |
| 5..... loose | e. free, not tied up |
| 6..... chatter | f. to eat something using your teeth and jaws in a noisy way |
| 7..... a cage | g. to touch in a loving or affectionate way |
| 8..... crumbs | h. sports shoes |

1. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the best word or phrase to complete these sentences.

1. Chloe started to like rats **when Roxy and Zena were born / when Martin showed her his pet rats / when her parents gave her Roxy and Zena for her birthday** .
2. Chloe has tried **a couple of times / several times / on many occasions** to explain to people why rats are great pets.
3. Mum agreed that Chloe could have pet rats **after she had spoken to Martin's parents / straight away / if Chloe got a good school report** .
4. Chloe started her search for Roxy **downstairs / upstairs / in the kitchen** .
5. Dad was **annoyed / comforting / worried** when Chloe told him that Roxy was missing.
6. Mum was **amused / delighted / shocked** when she found Roxy in one of her trainers.

2. Check your understanding: ordering

Write a number (1–10) to put these sentences in order.

- Chloe put Zena back in her cage.
- Chloe couldn't find Roxy in her bedroom.
- Dad laughed and Mum asked Chloe to come downstairs.
- Chloe heard Mum's key in the door.
- Mum told Chloe she was going to the gym.
- Chloe arrived home and made a cup of coffee.
- Chloe went downstairs and found Roxy on Mum's shoulder.
- Chloe took Roxy and Zena out of their cage.
- Dad came home and helped Chloe search for Roxy.
- Chloe worried that Roxy might be in the washing machine.

Discussion

Have you got any pets? What pet would you like to have?

Do you think rats would make good pets?

What kinds of pets are popular in your country?