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Animals benefit us in our daily lives in many different ways. Some of the ways they benefit us are being our pets, companions, workers, protect, or comfort.

Dogs are great pets. They can be a variety of breeds and vary in size from large to small. They can be great companions. The dog is said to be man's best friend. Some people prefer cats because they are more laid back and not as hyper as dogs.

Animals comfort us when we are sad or down. Petting or playing with them can make you feel better. Sometimes playing with them can even make you laugh. If you are not feeling well, they will lay down with you and try to cheer you up. If you are in trouble they will stay with you. Sometimes they just like to be near you.

Dogs are sometimes adopted for protection. They are also brought or adopted as a pet to be played with outside. People usually adopt dogs when they are puppies.

Animals are good workers. Some dogs help herd sheep or cows. Dogs also work with police by smelling for drugs or bombs. Other dogs help blind people by guiding the way; these are called Seeing Eye Dogs. Dogs make good companions for long trips.

There are breeds of dogs that are used more for security. For example, the pit bull is a huge dog with a nasty bite. They are very protective of the ones they love. German Shepherds are also great dogs for protection. Any large dog would be a good choice for security.

Dogs are great at learning tricks. They can be taught to play fetch, roll over, beg, and play dead. Certain breeds of dogs can be taught to hunt or assist their owner in retrieving what was shot.

When dogs are not trained properly they can be naughty. Puppies often chew shoes or furniture. Sometimes they will sit and beg for your food or grab food when no one is looking. An inside dog may have accidents on the floor. But still, these are our pets and we love them regardless.

Cats are also great pets. They usually loved to be in your lap and petted. They are great mouse hunters which is great for keeping the rodents away.

Other animals can be entertaining. Elephants are used in the circus for show. The circus even has deadly animals such as tigers jumping through rings of fire. Some television shows feature animals doing tricks. Like a parrot riding a mini bike and a dog riding a skateboard.

Companionship, helping, protection, and entertainment, these are a few ways animals benefit our daily lives.