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“What Pets Need”

Our pets need more than just food, water, and shelter. Pets also need good owners. They need training to make them obey and keep them safe. Very importantly, they need to be kept healthy.

I think pets need an educated owner. The owner has to know what kind of pet is good for them, where they live, if they are a couch potato or a runner, and how long they will be away from home every day. These things are important so that the pet can live a good, happy and healthy life, and bond with the owner. For example, if a couch potato owner adopts a pet that is high energy this will cause problems. It can cause anxiety for the owner and pet and the pet may have to be returned back to the shelter they came from.

Pets need treats or toys for training and the need rules. Training and rules help them to obey and protect them. Pets need a leash, a collar, and safety vest or cage for car rides so they do not jump out of the car and to keep them and the owner safe. They also need a bed and a cage (or crate) to keep them safe when the owner is not home.

Pets need to be healthy and cared for. They need some toys to get their energy out. They need baths and to be brushed to keep clean. They need lots of sleep and maybe even another pet friend to play with and exercise. They will need vet visits to get their shots. Most of all they need lots and lots of love!

Pets need a few more things. They need a name that suits them. They need lots of love and affection, a forever home, of course. But, most of all they need you!