

Are You a Cat's Best Friend?

There is nothing better than owning a pet.
The benefits of pet ownership are extraordinary.
Do you do as much for your furry friend as he
does for you?



Activity: To find out if you are a responsible pet owner, check off your answer to each statement below. Be honest. Then check your score below.

1. I have socialized my cat by helping her get used to people, noises, the veterinarian, and as many situations as possible. _____ yes _____ no
2. My cat lives indoors. _____ yes _____ no
3. My cat has a safety collar and I.D. tag with my name, address, and phone #. _____ yes _____ no
4. I keep all poisonous plants out of my cat's reach. _____ yes _____ no
5. My cat goes to the veterinarian for a yearly check-up and vaccinations. _____ yes _____ no
6. My cat is groomed regularly. _____ yes _____ no
7. My cat's litterbox is cleaned every day. _____ yes _____ no
8. I've trained my cat to travel in a pet taxi in the car. _____ yes _____ no
9. I provide a scratching post for my cat. _____ yes _____ no
10. My cat is fed a nutritionally complete name-brand cat food, and fresh water is always available. _____ yes _____ no
11. My cat is neutered if it's a male or spayed if it's a female to prevent unwanted kittens. _____ yes _____ no
12. I make sure my cat has a warm, quiet place to sleep. _____ yes _____ no
13. I don't allow my friends to tease or be unkind to my pet. _____ yes _____ no

Score:
11-13 "yes" answers - You deserve a responsible pet ownership medal!
8-10 "yes" answers - Keep trying to improve as a pet owner.
Less than 8 - You need to learn more about your pet.