

# WRITE WHERE YOU ARE EPISODE 4 - MEET THE PETS



You are bringing a new pet home. Describe your house as if you are the pet.

What kind of animal are they (very important)

What do they see, hear and smell? Get down on the floor and have a look around!

Are there any holes or small places they can escape into?

How are they feeling? Sad? Afraid? Excited?

Do they try eating anything? What does it taste like?

## SUPER-CHALLENGE (ARE YOU BRAVE ENOUGH TO TRY?)

#### **GUESS THE ANIMAL!**

Take your story from Challenge 1 and write it again. This time, you must not say what kind of animal your pet is.
eg. If your pet is a rabbit, you must not say 'rabbit' or 'bunny' or 'rabbit food' or anything that would give it away.
Instead, try giving clues as you write so that your reader will be able to guess the pet.
If you're writing about a rabbit, you could describe its long ears, sharp teeth. You could say that it prefers hopping about on grass. Just don't say it's a rabbit.

## SARAH TODD TAYLOR'S PET CHALLENGE



Write a story about what your pets get up to when you're not around to see.

Send your pets off on some adventures!

Don't have a pet? Make one up!

Draw some pictures to go with your story.

#### **Books about animals**

Have you read any of these?

The Last Free Cat - Jon Blake

The Last Firehawk - Katrina Charman

To Be a Cat - Matt Haig

Flora and Ulysses - Kate Di Camillo

The Dragon With a Chocolate Heart - Stephanie Burgis

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### BONUS IDEAS

- 1. You and your pet swap places for the day. Write the story of what you do. Then write about what your pet does. Who enjoys their day the most?
- 2. You adopt a new pet and discover it has superpowers! What can your pet do and what adventures do you have together (try writing the story as a comic strip if you like.)
- 3. Make a list of words that describe what your pet feels like to touch. Soft, warm, furry, smooth, cold, scaly, etc. Use them to help you write a poem called 'Holding My Pet.'
- 4. Write a conversation between you and your pet.
- 5. If you could be any animal you wanted, what would you choose? Why?
- 6. What's your least favourite animal? Are you scared of spiders, nervous of newts, do jaguars make you jump? Write a story, and make it as scary as possible.

#### Good luck and have fun!

If you've done any of the story challenges and would like to send me a picture or your work, you can find my email address on my website (remember to ask for permission first.) I will display all the work I receive.