

Read the poem below and answer the questions that follow.

CATS

by John Kitching

One cat, two cats, three cats, four,
Four cats scratching,
At my gran's back door.

Five cats, six cats, seven cats, eight,
Eight cats scratching,
At my gran's gate.

Eight cats, seven cats, six cats, five,
Five cats scratching,
At the old bee-hive.

Four cats, three cats, two cats, one,
One cat napping,
In the noon-day sun.



Write **TRUE** or **FALSE** for each statement.

(a) The writer's cats love to scratch.

(b) One of the cats was napping in the morning.

(c) Match the words that **rhyme** with each other.

four
eight
scratching
five

gate
napping
door
hive



Write your answers in the spaces provided.

(d) List **two things** the cats were scratching at.

a. _____

b. _____

(e) Would you like to have a pet cat? Why?

I would like to have a pet cat because _____