

A NEW HOME FOR SOCKS

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Read about Anna's work. Then answer the questions.

Hello, I'm Anna and I work for a dog rescue group. I love my job but it sometimes makes me very sad. Every year, we find thousands of unwanted dogs on the streets. People leave them on motorways, in public toilets, in rubbish bins or outside shops and restaurants. The group finds the most dogs around Easter time. People buy puppies for Christmas presents. The puppy grows. It is difficult to look after. It chews the rugs and it runs round the house breaking things. Dogs need a lot of space and they need a lot of exercise. They are also expensive. It costs around 10,000 euros to keep a dog for its lifetime. Think with your head and not your heart when you buy a puppy.



a) Who does Anna work for?

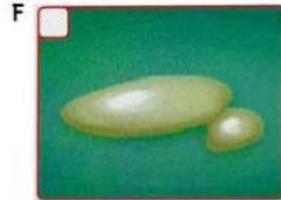
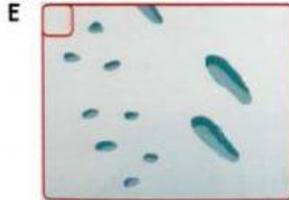
b) Where do people often leave dogs?

c) When does the dog rescue group find the most abandoned dogs?

d) Why do people abandon dogs?

e) How much does it cost to keep a dog?

1. Look at the pictures and match them with the corresponding word



1 RUBBISH BIN _____

2 PUDDLE _____

3 PUPPY _____

4 RUG _____

5 FOOTPRINTS _____

6 TRAINERS _____

2. Complete the paragraph with the words in Exercise 1.

Hi, my name's Alice, and I've got a new _____. He's called Patch. He's very sweet. At least, I think so. My mum's not so sure! Every morning, there is a big wet _____ on the floor and sometimes there is one on Mum's new yellow _____. He chews all our shoes and my brother's new _____. My brother isn't happy about that! Every day we go for a walk in the park. When it's raining, Patch leaves dirty _____ on the floor. Oh no! Look _____ at _____ him _____ now. He's playing with the _____. There's rubbish all over the floor. He is very naughty but I love him. We all do really.

3. What are they doing? Complete the sentences with the *-ing* form of the verbs below.

chew stroke wag growl



b. Socks is the trainers.



a. Poppi is her tail.

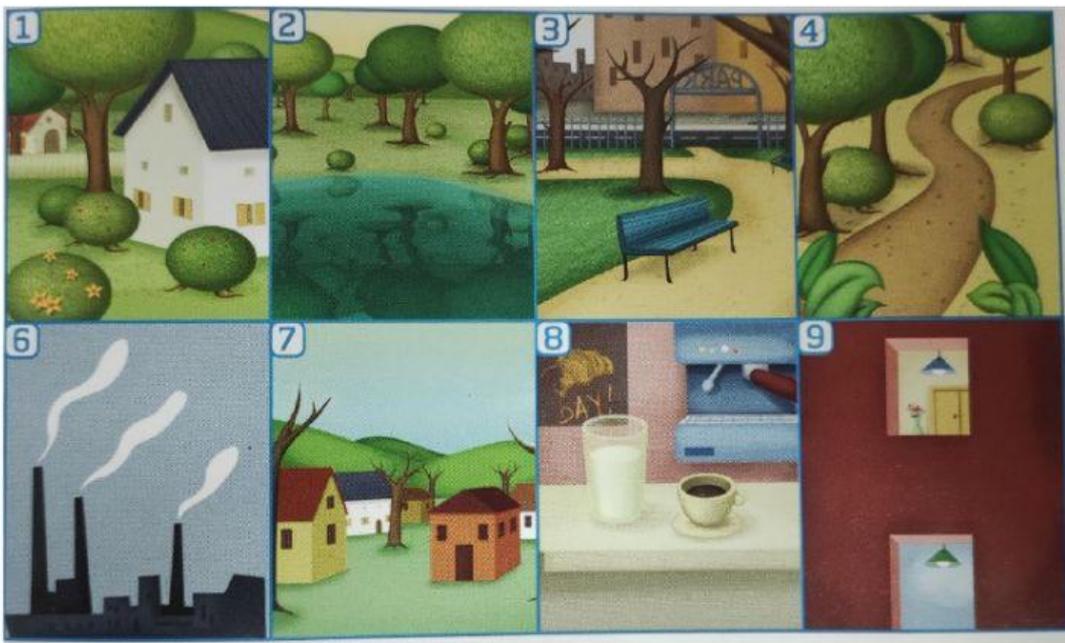


d. Penny is
Poppi's head.



c. Bruce is
at Socks.

4. These words describe the places in the story. Match them with the pictures.



a village

d lake

g park

b path

e garden

h factory

c apartment

f café