

PART 3 Questions 14-18

For each question, choose the correct answer.

Pets and Children

Having a pet is usually an important part of a child's life. It could be a gold fish, a dog, a cat or a horse; children enjoy the friendship offered by animals. Dogs are the most popular pets to have, while cats come second. For those lucky enough to have a pet, having one as a child offers some great memories. Our pet can become our first best friend. Cats and dogs are better because they usually jump up onto the sofa and sit next to you while you are watching television. A horse or a gold fish can't do this.



Having a pet in the house actually helps children to learn and understand their personal feelings; also, playing with them makes them healthier and fitter. Pets are very good for children. At school, talking about animals and learning about looking after them is a great way to teach young students how to go through life.

Children usually like the world of animals at home or in the wild. They are really interested in learning about them. Children can talk to others about what animals they have seen and what they did with them. This also helps them to understand and learn what it means to look after other people.

14. The writer says that most children prefer to have
 - A. a dog.
 - B. a cat.
 - C. a gold fish.
15. What can't a gold fish do?
 - A. be a good friend
 - B. be fun to watch
 - C. sit next to you
16. Playing with pets helps children
 - A. remember things better.
 - B. be healthier.
 - C. spend fewer hours watching TV.
17. What does the writer say about children who have a pet?
 - A. They become very good teachers.
 - B. They know more about growing up.
 - C. They talk too much in class.
18. What do children like doing?
 - A. talking to animals
 - B. looking after other people
 - C. talking about animals