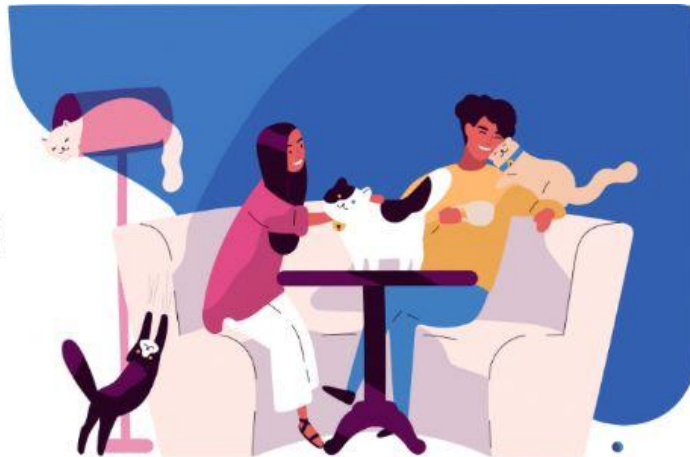


Reading

Pawsome Places

Carefully read the text and match the gaps (1-6) with the correct sentence parts (a-h). There are two extra variants you don't need to use.



Over the past decade, (1) _____. These establishments offer people the chance to enjoy a cup of coffee or a meal while also interacting with cats in a relaxed and comfortable setting. The concept of the cat cafe is based on the idea that cats can provide a calming and stress-reducing effect on humans. Interacting with cats has a variety of positive health benefits, (2) _____ lowering blood pressure, and promoting relaxation. In addition, many people find that spending time with cats can be a fun and enjoyable way to pass the time.

Cat cafes typically have a variety of cats (3) _____, ranging from kittens to senior cats. The cats are usually adopted from local animal shelters or rescue organizations, and the cafes often have partnerships with these organizations to promote cat adoption and raise awareness about animal welfare. Many cat cafes have strict rules and guidelines (4) _____ and comfortable in their environment. For example, customers are typically asked to remove their shoes and use hand sanitizer (5) _____ the spread of germs. Customers are also usually asked to refrain from picking up the cats, feeding them human food, or using flash photography, as these actions can be stressful or harmful to the cats.

In addition to cat cafes, there are also a variety of other cat-centric businesses that have emerged in recent years, such as cat yoga studios, cat-themed bars, and even cat hotels. Cat hotels are a new trend in the hospitality industry. These are hotels that are specifically designed to cater to cats. Such hotels offer amenities such as luxury suites, grooming services, and play areas for cats. Some cat hotels even offer webcams (6) _____ while they are away.

- A to ensure that the cats are well-cared for;
- B chronically suffering from issues like;
- C that customers can interact with;
- D so that owners can check in on their cats;
- E such as reducing anxiety and depression;
- F before entering the cat area to prevent;
- G cat cafes have become a global phenomenon;
- H because we know how important it is.

