

Using language to reflect and explore.



Dash is 6 months old. He was found tied up in the garden, waiting for his owners to return.

He had been waiting for two weeks. His owners had left him, with no food, and no water, while they went on holiday. When we took him in, Dash was too weak to stand. This kind of treatment happens to too many animals.

1. Select the words that reflect the feeling of compassion caused by the suffering and misfortunes of others.

delight	sorrow	fear	sadness
support	excitement	regret	content

2. What emotion does the phrase: "That poor dog!" reflect?

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3. Rearrange the words to make a meaningful sentence.

The	cruelly	neglectful
dog	by its	had been
innocent	owners	left

4. A more subtle way to be emotive is to choose nouns or verbs that will influence the reader. Select the best words to fill the blanks.

Non-emotive: The dog had been left by its owners.

Emotive: The had been by its owners.

5. In your own words, write a reflection that shows sympathy for the dog based on what you have read.