

LESSON 5



I CAN be an advocate for animals.

SAFETY FOR YOU AND YOUR PET

- 1) The five basic commands your dog should know are: *COME, DOWN, HEEL, SIT AND STAY*.
- 2) Leave an animal alone when it is *EATING OR CHEWING* a toy.
- 3) Always *ASK* the pet's owner if it is OK for you to pet his dog.
- 4) Keep your pets away from house and garden plants. Some are very *TOXIC OR POISONOUS*.
- 5) Dogs like their own space; they are very *TERRITORIAL*.
- 6) Let a pet *SMELL* your hand, shoes and clothes until it feels safe with you. Then pet the dog or cat under its *CHIN*.
- 7) Avoid *EYE CONTACT* with a strange dog.
- 8) Keep you pets away from dangerous foods like *CHOCOLATE, GRAPES AND RAISINS*.
- 9) Tell an *ADULT* if you get bitten by an animal.
- 10) Always keep your pet on a *LEASH* when you take it for a walk.
- 11) Never try to break up a *DOGFIGHT*.
- 12) If you see an animal that is hurt, *NEGLECTED OR ABUSED*, ask an adult you trust to call Moore County Animal Control.
- 13) If a strange dog comes up to you aggressively, make like a *TREE*.
- 14) If the dog knocks you down, act like a *LOG*.
- 15) If you come upon a pack of dogs, throw *A SMALL ITEM* away from you to distract them and then walk very *SLOWLY* in the other direction.
- 16) If one German Shepherd bites someone, it doesn't mean that all German Shepherds are bad dogs. Blame the *DEED* not the *BREED*.
- 17) What about cats? "*Heads*" wins over "*Tails*" every time, so always approach a cat from the *FRONT*, not from the *BACK*.
- 18) So that your pet can be returned to you if it gets lost, make sure it has an *ID TAG* on its collar and a *MICROCHIP*.

Word Bank

abused	chocolate	friends	log	<i>slowly</i>
adult	come	front	make	<i>small item</i>
ask	deed	grapes	microchip	<i>sniff</i>
back	dogfight	great	neglected	<i>stay</i>
breed	down	heel	pets	<i>territorial</i>
chewing	eating	ID tag	raisins	<i>toxic (poisonous)</i>
<i>chin</i>	<i>eye contact</i>	<i>leash</i>	<i>sit</i>	<i>tree</i>

There are four extra words. Use them to form a sentence.
PETS MAKE GREAT FRIENDS



Now you can check
your answers to the
worksheet from
Lesson 4.

How did you do?

Share these facts
with someone you
know!

Activity 1



- Watch the video "Two Important Places"
 - This video is about The Animal Center of Moore County and The Spay and Neuter Veterinary Clinic of the Sandhills
 - Listen carefully to find out what each one does to help the animals in our county
 - See what you can learn about...
 - the reasons animals are at The Animal Center
 - the duties of the Animal Services Deputies
 - why animals may need to be euthanized at The Animal Center
 - how fourth graders have made a difference there
 - the ways you can find the right pet for your family
 - who takes pets to The Spay and Neuter Clinic.
 - what both these places are trying to do.
- Congratulations to Jordan & Prince for their many years together!

Activity 2

The Animal Center/Spay Neuter Clinic/Emergency Services Trifold

The Animal Center

The Animal Center of Moore County provides shelter for the county's stray and unwanted companion animals. Its mission is to promote pet placement programs and education regarding pet responsibility. The Center strives to adopt the most animals possible to loving homes.



For hours and available pets, please visit our website:
www.animalcentermoorecounty.com
5235 NC Hwy. 15-601 • Carthage, NC 28327
910-947-3858

Adoption Fee Includes:

CANINE
1st Year Rabies Vaccine
1st DAZ
1st Deworming
Heartworm Test
Bordetella
AVID microchip
Spay / Neuter

FELINE
1st Year Rabies Vaccine
1st RCPC
1st Deworming
Feline Leukemia Test
AVID microchip
Spay / Neuter

Rabies Vaccinations & Microchips also available for your current pet at low prices!

Emergency Services

Small Animal Emergency Services
5091 U.S. Highway 1 - Vass, NC

Weekdays: 6:00 pm - 8:00 am
Weekends: Fri. 6:00 pm - Mon. 8:00 am
Holidays: 24 hours
910.246.0405
www.dograt-er.com

The emergency veterinary hospital serves Moore County, NC. It serves the immediate area including Southern Pines, Aberdeen, Vass, and the surrounding areas as well as surrounding counties of Montgomery, Wake and Lee.

ASPCA Poison Control Hotline
888.426.4435

www.aspcapoint.org/Home/Poison-control

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center provides 24-hour a day, year-round advice on animal poison-related emergencies. The APCC experts are on-call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The call is toll-free. A \$65 consultation fee may be applied to your credit card.

Lost & Found

The Pilot newspaper works to reunite lost pets and their owners. Submit a free lost or found report — and upload a pet photo — online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Go to <http://www.thepilot.com>. Click on "Pets" in the upper menu bar for the lost or found options.

Your report is sent via email to everyone on the distribution list with one click! The Pilot will even include a free ad in the classifieds.

Also check The Animal Center website.

Spay & Neuter



910.692.FIXX
910.692.3499

The Companion Animal Clinic Foundation (CACF) works to reduce unwanted and un-owned animals in Central North Carolina. It supports affordable spay / neuter efforts to reduce the intake of unwanted animals at animal control facilities, thus reducing the number of animals euthanized because there are no homes for them.

The Spay & Neuter Veterinary Clinic of the Sandhills provides spay/neuter/rabies at a reduced price for animal welfare groups and individuals who do not have and cannot afford a private veterinarian.

Spay & Neuter Vet Clinic
5071 U.S. Highway 1 Vass, NC

910-692-3499(FIXX)

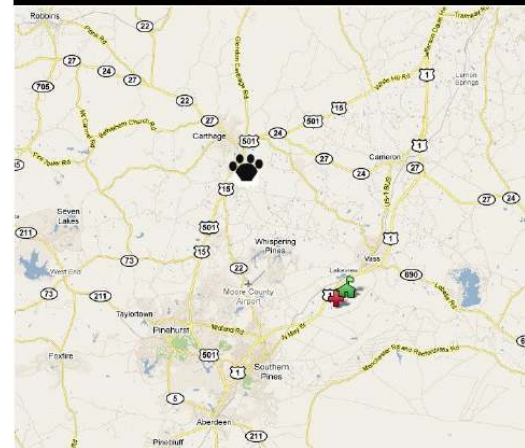
Monday - Thursday

7:00 am - 5:00 pm

www.spayneutervet.org

1 cat and their offspring in 7 years may produce 420,000 kittens
2 cats and their offspring in 10 years may produce 80,339,730 kittens
1 dog and their offspring in 6 years may produce 67,000 puppies
There are 70,000 kittens and puppies born in the U.S. every day
Source: HSUS

Location Info



EMERGENCY CLINIC
5001 U.S. Hwy. 1 North - Vass, NC 28394
910.246.0405 (Next to Spay & Neuter Clinic)

Spay/Neuter Veterinary Clinic
5071 U.S. Hwy. 1 North - Vass, NC 28394
910.692.3499 (Next to Emergency Clinic)

The Animal Center
5235 U.S. Hwy. 15/601 North - Carthage, NC
910.947.2668

Thanks for your support!

Pet Resources

Emergency Vet Services



Spay & Neuter Clinic



Moore County Sheriff's
Office Animal Services
(The Animal Center)



Here you have lots of information about places in Moore County that help our animals.

This is a valuable resource for you and your family. Keep it in a safe place where you can find it easily when you need it.



Activity 3

- Advocacy
 - What is an advocate?
 - An advocate is a person who speaks up for and acts for the benefit of someone else.
 - Animals cannot "speak" for themselves. They need us to do that for them. They need us to be their advocates.
 - The following brochure shows you many things you can do to show your concern and support for animals.
 - Read it carefully and think about what you can do. Check off the ways you can help.
 - Save this brochure and keep it handy!

Help the shelters...

- ☺ Call the shelter or spay/neuter clinic and ask how you can help.
- ☺ Hold a drive to collect supplies such as blankets, animal carriers, food or toys for the animals. You could put a notice up at schools, churches and businesses in your area explaining that you are collecting for the animals.
- ☺ Ask your family to adopt your next pet from the local shelter.

Spread the word about being an advocate for animals...

- ☺ Write a letter to the editor of your newspaper about an animal issue that's important to you.
- ☺ Create a play or picture show for younger children that teaches them kindness to animals.
- ☺ Make posters about being kind to animals and adopting them from shelters.

You can help by...

- ☺ Showing your siblings how to treat family pets.
- ☺ Discussing with your family how you can use your computer and phone to spread the word about adoptable pets.
- ☺ Making sure YOUR pets are cared for.
- ☺ Teaching family members what you learned in class.
- ☺ Encouraging them to have their pets spayed or neutered and to spend time with their pets.
- ☺ Encouraging them to take pets off tether/chain for a while to exercise them and give them companionship and love.
- ☺ Encouraging them to consider adopting a black or older dog or cat.
- ☺ Helping family members find homes for pets they can no longer keep.




**Kids
CAN
be
ADVOCATES
too!**



**Be part of the
solution and
have fun while
making a
difference!**

If you see a pet that is not being cared for...

- 🐾 Do NOT go up to the pet yourself.
- 🐾 Tell an adult.
- 🐾 Ask the adult to speak with the owner.
- 🐾 Call Animal Services 910-947-2858.
- 🐾 In an emergency, call 911.

If you see someone hurting an animal...

- 🐾 Do NOT go up to the person yourself.
- 🐾 Take a good look at the animal & the person so you can describe them later.
- 🐾 Notice the animal's color, any spots or stripes, does it have a collar?
- 🐾 Notice the person - big/small, young/old, color of shirt/pants.
- 🐾 Run to find an adult and ask them to call Animal Services at 910-947-2858 or the Police.

What you can do to help raise money...

Animal rescue groups and shelters always need money. The money you raise could be used for food, toys, beds and medical treatment for rescued animals. Be sure to let the people know the money goes to help the animals.

- 🐾 Hold a garage or yard sale.
To get items to sell, ask neighbors and friends to clean out their closets.
Advertise your event, letting people know the time, place and date.
- 🐾 Look for jobs you can do to raise money, such as raking leaves, washing windows, collecting cans or bottles for recycling, walking dogs or feeding pets.
- 🐾 Sell something you've made.
You could create homemade cards from recycled paper, have a lemonade stand, or prepare goodies for a bake sale.

If you LOSE a Pet...

- 🐾 ACT QUICKLY
- 🐾 Locate a recent picture of your pet
- 🐾 Call the Animal Center of Moore County 910-947-2858 and complete a LOST Pet Report
- 🐾 Go online to www.thepilot.com, Select the Submit heading, Select the Lost Pet link under Online Services, Complete the report and be sure to upload the photo of your pet.

If you FIND a Pet...

- 🐾 ACT QUICKLY
- 🐾 Take a picture of the pet
- 🐾 Call the Animal Center of Moore County 910-947-2858 and complete a FOUND Pet Report
- 🐾 Go online to www.thepilot.com, Select the Submit heading, Select the Found Pet link under Online Services, Complete the report and be sure to upload the photo of the pet.

Young advocates!

A lemonade and cookie stand to raise money for the shelter!



A trip to the shelter to donate birthday money!



Activity 4

Review the "I CAN" statements for Lessons 1-5 and think about all you have learned to prepare to be an **ADVOCATE** for animals!

SPREAD THE WORD!

Pet Responsibility Folder

Belonging to:



Click on your school at
www.mcprc.org

THE PET RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAM

"I CAN" STATEMENTS:

"I CAN" HELP SOLVE THE "SAD PROBLEM" IN MOORE COUNTY.

LESSON 1

"I CAN" BE A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER.

LESSON 2

"I CAN" HELP STOP PET OVERPOPULATION IN OUR COUNTY.

LESSON 3

"I CAN" MAKE SURE MY PET IS HEALTHY AND SAFE; I CAN BE SAFE AROUND DOGS AND CATS.

LESSON 4

"I CAN" MAKE A RESPONSIBLE DECISION ABOUT PROVIDING FOR A PET FOR ITS ENTIRE LIFE.

LESSON 5

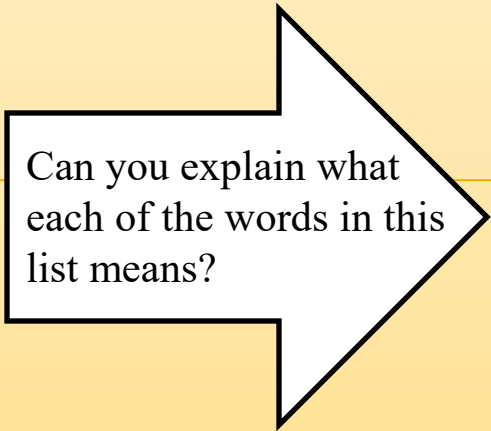
"I CAN" BE AN ADVOCATE FOR ANIMALS.

LESSON 6

"I CAN" HELP SOLVE THE "SAD PROBLEM" IN MOORE COUNTY.



Pet Responsibility Word List



Can you explain what
each of the words in this
list means?

Advocate

Cruelty

Foster

Homework

- Share your Pet Responsibility Folder with friends and family - especially:
 - The Animal Center/Spay Neuter Clinic/Emergency Services Trifold Brochure
 - "Fido, Friend or Foe?" coloring book with younger brothers and sisters
 - Kids can be Advocates too! Brochure
 - ... and the information on the folder itself!