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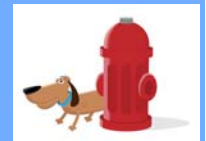
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Pet Humor

Cat and dog riddles . . . You're welcome!

1. How do you describe a huge cat?
Meow-sive
2. What do you call a cool dog sitting on a rabbit?
A chili dog on a bun(ny)
3. How do French cats say thank you?
Meow-ci beaucoup
4. How are a sled dog and your nose alike?
Both run when it's cold outside!
5. What is a cat's favorite party game?
Meow-sical Chairs
6. If H2O is inside a fire hydrant, what's outside?
K9P
7. What do you call a cat who knows how to get what she wants?
Purr-suasive!
8. Why did the dog say "Moo"?
He was learning a new language.
9. What do you get if you cross a cat and a tree?
A cat-a-log



10. What's worse than raining cats and dogs?
Hailing taxis
11. What do you get if you cross a cocker spaniel, a poodle,

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Pet Humor (Continued)

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and a rooster?
Cocker Poodle Doo!

12. What did the alien say to the cat?
"Take me to your litter."



13. What is a dog's favorite breakfast?
Woofles

14. What is a cat's favorite subject in school?
Mew-sic

15. What do sled dogs say before they tell a killer joke?
"This one's gonna sleigh you!"

16. How many cats can you put in an empty box?
One. After that, the box isn't empty anymore!



17. What do you get if you cross a sheepdog and a rose?
A collie-flower

18. How do cats end a fight?
They hiss and make up.

19. How does a smart dog stop a DVR?
The paws button!



20. What do you call a cat who was caught by the police?
A purr-petrator

21. How does a little dog feel when he sees a big scary monster?
Terrier-fied!

Burlington The Cat and The Dog With The Voracious Appetite



Hello. Burlington here.

You may remember I once mentioned our neighbor, Mrs. Reed, who is retired. She is a very sweet lady. Jersey and I like her very much because every time she visits, she makes sure to spend a few minutes scratching our chins or rubbing our ears. She doesn't have any pets at home - well, she didn't until recently, anyway - because her job, before she retired just over a year ago, required her to travel far too much to properly care for a pet.

This spring, Mrs. Reed's adult daughter moved back in with her, and brought her cocker spaniel, Moe, too.

"Oh, I love Moe," Mrs. Reed explained to Mom over coffee one morning, "It's just that he eats *everything* in *sight*."

She raised her eyebrows in emphasis. "Even things that aren't food!"

Mom put her coffee cup down on the table. "Oh, my," she said.

Mrs. Reed nodded.

"The day after Cindy and Moe moved in, I came home from shopping and found the middle cushion on the couch ripped open, chunks of foam all over the floor. I thought he'd only torn it apart. I didn't know he'd eaten any of the foam until . . ." She lowered her voice. "Until he went outside to do his business later."

"Have you considered crate training?" Mom suggested,

"For those times when you aren't home to watch him?"

Mrs. Reed nodded and took a sip of her coffee.

"I told Cindy we would have to do that, and she was open to it. The problem is that he eats things when we're home, too. We have to watch him every single minute. A few weeks after they moved in, I was cleaning out my hall closet and Moe tried to eat a package of light bulbs. I had to pry the package out of his mouth. The week before that, I found him gnawing on a clothespin in the laundry room. When I visited Cindy at her old house last Christmas, Moe was still a puppy, and in one day he chewed up his stuffed toy and tried to eat an ornament that was hanging on the tree."



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I heard the tinkle of Jersey's tags

as she came into the kitchen and sat down beside me, listening to Mrs. Reed. I glanced over at her and laughed to myself at the look of sheer horror on her face.

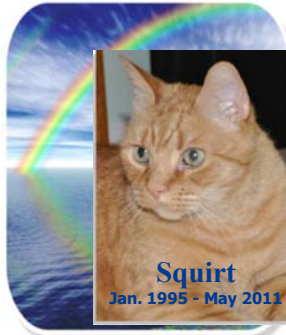
"Last weekend," Mrs. Reed continued, "I'd made a nice roast for Sunday dinner. The doorbell rang just as I was putting it on the table. Cindy was upstairs and I knew Moe might jump up on one of the chairs to get to the table, so I moved the roast to the kitchen island and went to answer

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Squirty's Words . . . From The Rainbow Bridge

Question: We see articles all the time that tell us of the benefits of essential oils and aroma therapy, for humans. With the fall and winter holidays almost here again, many people will be using oil diffusers or burning scented candles to give their homes the aromas of the holidays. Is this safe for our pets?



In memory of Squirty, a longtime friend of Paws and Claws Society who passed away on Mother's Day 2011 at the age of 16½, Burlington Reports added a new section to remember pets who have passed or to learn more about our animal family members. Ask Squirty a question or share your pet memorial story on our web site (hover over "Newsletter" on our menu). Let Squirty answer your questions or meet your pet(s) at the Rainbow Bridge and escort them to Pet Heaven.

Answer: The answer to this question is a very big "It depends". Some oils contain phenols and can be toxic to cats. These oils include wintergreen, peppermint, citrus (including lemon), tea tree (melaleuca), pine, eucalyptus, cinnamon, pennyroyal, sweet birch, clove, and ylang ylang oils. Oils that should be avoided around dogs include tea tree, cinnamon, citrus, pennyroyal, pine, sweet birch, wintergreen, and ylang ylang.



The natural enzymes in concentrated essential oils can be anywhere from 500 to even 2000 times stronger than in the original plant, making them difficult or impossible for your pet's liver to break down if ingested.

Cats and dogs absorb oils that are in direct contact with their skin. Oils diffused in the air are inhaled into the lungs, but also collect on the fur, being ingested when your cat or dog licks during cleaning. Toxicity may occur very quickly or over a longer period of exposure. The higher the concentration of essential oil, the greater risk to your pet. If your pet accidentally ingests any oils, see the veterinarian immediately.

Symptoms of essential oil poisoning in cats or dogs can include:

- Drooling
- Vomiting
- Tremors
- Difficulty walking, wobbliness (ataxia)
- Respiratory distress (wheezing, fast breathing, panting, coughing)
- Weakness
- Low body temperature
- Excessive salivation
- Excessive pawing at mouth or face



If you notice any of these signs, take your pet to a veterinary emergency center. The veterinarian may note a low heart rate, low blood pressure, or even signs of liver failure.

When it comes to essential oils and your pets' health, the best rule of thumb is "If you aren't sure whether it's safe, don't take the risk."

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday season!

Peace, Love, and Head-Butts,

Squirty



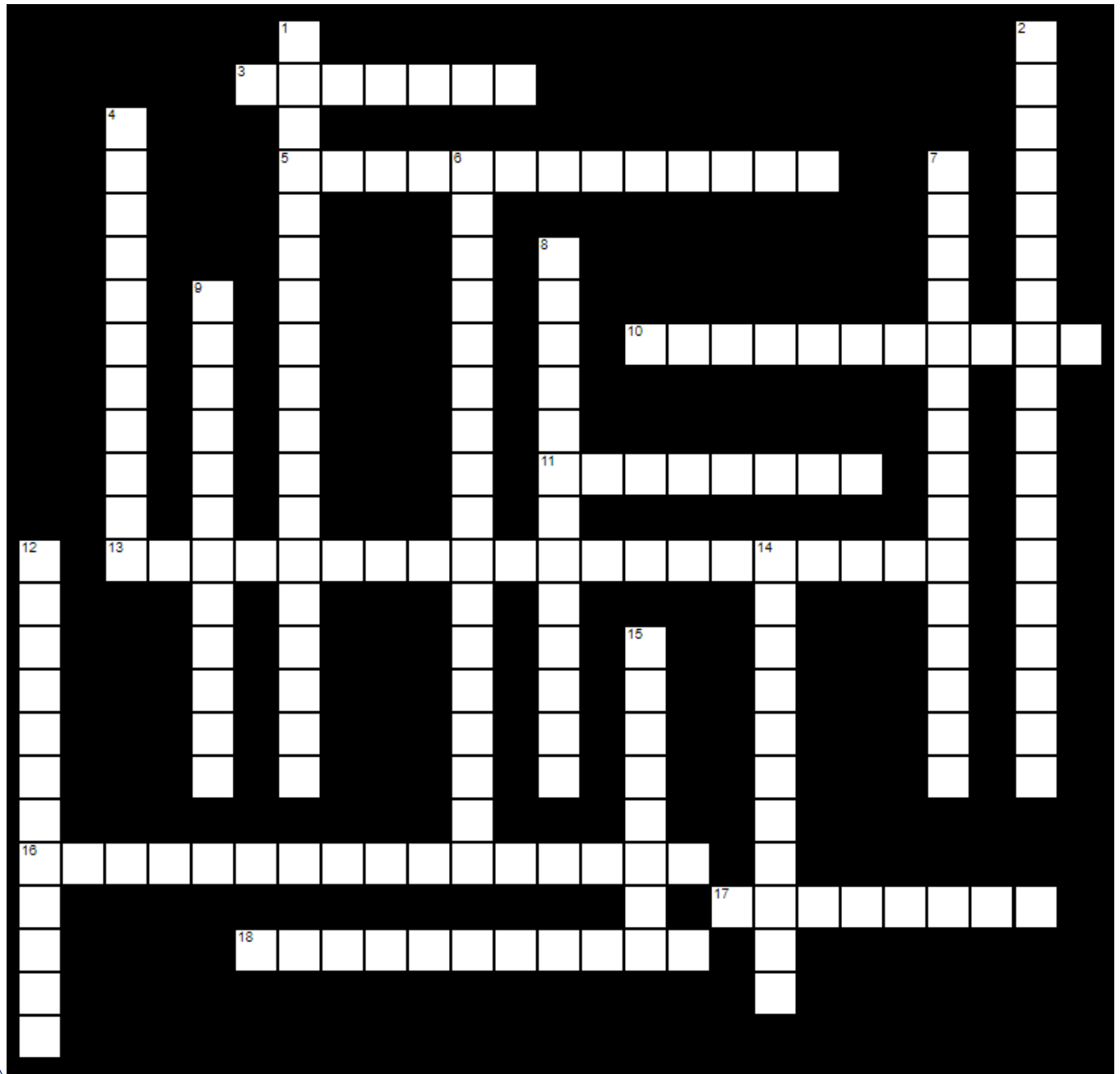
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Crossword Puzzle: Movies & Songs With Animals in Titles (Clues on Page 5)

How many movie titles and song titles can you name that have animals in them? Try your hand at guessing these 18 titles! (This puzzle can be solved online - find it on our web site, pacsnj.org.)



See our web site, pacsnj.org, for the answers to this puzzle.



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Crossword Puzzle Clues (Puzzle grid on Page 4)

ACROSS

3. 1985 American anthology horror film directed by Lewis Teague and written by Stephen King. It comprises three stories, "Quitters, Inc.", "The Ledge", and "General". The first two are adaptations of short stories in King's Night Shift collection, and the third is unique to the film. The three stories are connected only by the presence of a traveling cat, which plays an incidental role in the first two and is a major character of the third. Its cast includes Drew Barrymore, James Woods, Alan King, Robert Hays and Candy Clark.

5. Song written by Elton John and Bernie Taupin, and recorded in summer 1972. The song appears to have been strongly influenced by songs from the late 50s-early 60s ("when Rock was young").

10. 2003 American animated comedy-drama film produced by Walt Disney Feature Animation and released by Walt Disney Pictures. The song "Welcome" written by Phil Collins was later used as the theme song for Walt Disney's Parade of Dreams during the Happiest Homecoming on Earth, celebrating the 50th anniversary of Disneyland. For the parade, the song had slightly changed lyrics and was performed by an ensemble.

11. 1963 American horror-thriller film directed and produced by Alfred Hitchcock, loosely based on the 1952 story of the same name by Daphne du Maurier. It focuses on a series of sudden, unexplained violent fowl attacks on the people of Bodega Bay, California over the course of a few days.

13. 2007 American live-action computer animated musical comedy film directed by Tim Hill. Based on the characters of the same name created by Ross Bagdasarian, Sr. (as David Seville) in 1958, the film stars Justin Long, Matthew Gray Gubler, Jesse McCartney, Cameron Richardson, David Cross, and Jason Lee.

16. Released in 1971, this rock song by America was nominated for a Grammy Award for Best Pop Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocals.

17. A twelve-bar blues song written by Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller. It has been recorded more than 250 times. The best-known version is the July 1956 recording by Elvis Presley, which is ranked number 19 on Rolling Stone magazine's list of the 500 Greatest Songs of All Time; it is also one of the best-selling singles of all time. Presley's version, which sold about 10 million copies globally, was his best-selling song and "an emblem of the rock 'n' roll revolution". It is listed as one of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame's "500 Songs That Shaped Rock and Roll".

18. 1994 animated epic musical film produced by Walt Disney Feature Animation, which won two Golden Globes; for Best Motion Picture – Musical or Comedy and Best Original Score, as well as two Academy Awards, for Best Original Score (Hans Zimmer) and Best Original Song with "Can You Feel the Love Tonight" by Elton John and Tim Rice.

DOWN

1. This 2005 French feature-length nature documentary directed and co-written by Luc Jacquet, and co-produced by Bonne Pioche and the National Geographic Society, won multiple awards including the Academy Award for Documentary Feature.

2. This song began as an English language nursery rhyme of nineteenth-century American origin. First published as a poem by Sarah Josepha Hale on May 24, 1830, it was possibly inspired by an actual incident when a student brought an animal to school. The rhyme was audio recorded by Thomas Edison on his newly invented phonograph in 1877. It was the first instance of recorded verse.

4. Nominated for the Academy Award for Best Animated Feature and the Golden Globe Award for Best Animated Feature Film, this 2008 American computer-animated action comedy

6. A 1989 Irish, British and American animated musical fantasy comedy-drama film released by United Artists and Goldcrest Films. Voice actors included Burt Reynolds, Vic Tayback, Don DeLuise, and Judith Barsi.

7. A popular nursery rhyme and fingerplay that describes the adventures of an arachnid as it ascends, descends, and reascends the downspout or "waterspout" of a gutter system. It is usually accompanied by a sequence of gestures that mimic the words of the song.

8. This song, composed by American rock band Survivor, was released in 1982 as a single from their third album of the same name and was also the theme song for the film Rocky III, which was released a day before the single.

9. Song by American musician Prince, and the lead single from his 1984 album Purple Rain. Following Prince's death, the song re-charted on the Billboard Hot 100 chart at number eight, its first appearance in the top 10 since the week ending September 1, 1984.

12. Song by the Beatles released in 1967 that was the B-side to the number 1 hit single "Hello, Goodbye". John Lennon was amused to learn that a teacher from Quarry Bank High School, which he'd attended, was making his class analyze Beatles' lyrics, so he decided to write the most confusing lyrics that he could in his next (this) song.

14. This song by Captain & Tennille about Sam and Suzie was released in 1976 and was nominated for the People's Choice Award for Favorite New Song.

15. 2004 American superhero film very loosely based on the DC Comics character of the same name directed by Pitof, produced by Denise Di Novi and Edward McDonnell, and written by John Rogers, John Brancato and Michael Ferris, with music by Klaus Badelt. It stars Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, Lambert Wilson, Frances Conroy, Alex Borstein, and Sharon Stone.

Most of the clues shown here were found on Wikipedia.

See our web site, pacsnj.org, for the answers to this puzzle.



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A Comic With An Important Message

Many thanks to tumblr user "8bitrevolver" for sharing her comic with the world! The message is an important one.

She says:

"A while ago, I heard a story that broke my heart. A family went a cat shelter to adopt. The daughter fell in love with a 3-legged cat. The father straight up said "absolutely not". Because he was missing a leg. That cat was that close to having a family that loved him, but the missing leg held him back. Why?!"

"Many people have the initial instinct of "nope" when they see an imperfect animal. I get it, but less-adoptable does NOT mean less loveable. 9 out of 10 people will choose a kitten over an adult cat. And those 10% that would get an adult cat often overlook "different" animals.

"All I want people to do is be open to the idea of having a "different" pet in their lives. Choose the pet that you fall in love with, but at least give all of them a fair shot at winning your heart.

"Don't dismiss them, they deserve a loving home just as much as any other cat. They still purr, they still love a warm lap, they still play, they still love you. Trust me, next time you are in the market for a new kitty, just go over to that one cat that's missing an eye and see what he's all about!"



VERY FEW PEOPLE CHOOSE OLDER CATS, AND EVEN LESS PICK A "LESS-ADOPTABLE" CAT

GET TO KNOW ONE OF US "BROKEN" CATS. YOU'LL BE SURPRISED AT HOW COOL WE ARE! WE ARE OFTEN OVERLOOKED BY PEOPLE THAT THINK WE AREN'T GOOD ENOUGH. BUT, WE ALL WANT TO BE ADOPTED AND WE ALL WANT TO LIVE HAPPY LIVES WITH YOU!

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the door. When I got back, I found Moe standing on the island, eating my roast! He'd somehow climbed up onto one of the barstools. I don't even know how he did it!"



A worried expression crossed Mom's face.

"That can be dangerous, especially if the roast had ingredients that are dangerous for dogs, like onions or garlic."

Mrs. Reed's hands went to her chest, as if she were attempting to calm her heart. "I was just lucky he'd only eaten a small amount and I hadn't added a lot of seasonings. I told Cindy we'll have to keep him in his crate on Halloween, when we have the candy out for the kids, and on Thanksgiving, too. I read an article that said the Thanksgiving turkey can be dangerous for dogs, even giving them pancreatitis!"

"Because of all the ingredients we add to the turkey?"

Mrs. Reed nodded. "Butter, oil, stuffing, onions and garlic and herbs . . ."

Her voice trailed off as she began to wring her hands, a faraway look in her eye.

"I worry so, that one day he'll eat something that will really hurt him, or even land him in the animal hospital."

Mom sat back in her chair and stirred her coffee, a contemplative look on her face, the way she looks when she's about to offer some good advice.

Finally, she spoke.

"I've heard stories about dogs that do things like that. It seems to calm down after the dog is a year or two old, but that first year or two can be quite trying with many dogs."

I looked at Jersey and smiled. She shook her head and whispered, "Not me. I was never like that!"

"Have you considered hiring a dog trainer for obedience?" Mom suggested. "The trainer will work with you, Cindy, and Moe, to make sure you're able to give him commands and that he will understand and obey them. It can be vitally important for a dog to stop when you say 'stop', or to come to you when you say 'come', not only for situations at home that could be dangerous,

but also when you're out in public with him. There could be any number of circumstances where his obedience could save him, and you or Cindy, from something very harmful."

Mrs. Reed looked up at Mom and smiled, an expression of hope blooming on her face.

"Obedience school is as much about teaching the people in a dog's life as it is about teaching the dog," Mom said, "Behavior modification on our part results in different behavior from them."

Mrs. Reed thanked Mom and told her she'd helped more than she could imagine, and she went home with a plan.

A few weeks later, the doorbell rang, and when Mom opened the door, there was a smiling Mrs. Reed with a framed photo for Mom.

"Moe graduated with honors!" she said proudly.



Burlington is a fictional gray tabby cat who belongs to a family in the Northeast United States. "Mom" is Paige Turner, owner of a small book store. "Dad's" real name has not been mentioned to date. Their two children are Mallory and Matthew. The family also adopted a Chihuahua and named her Jersey. See our web site for other issues of Burlington Reports and read the ongoing adventures and learning experiences of Burlington and his family!



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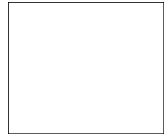
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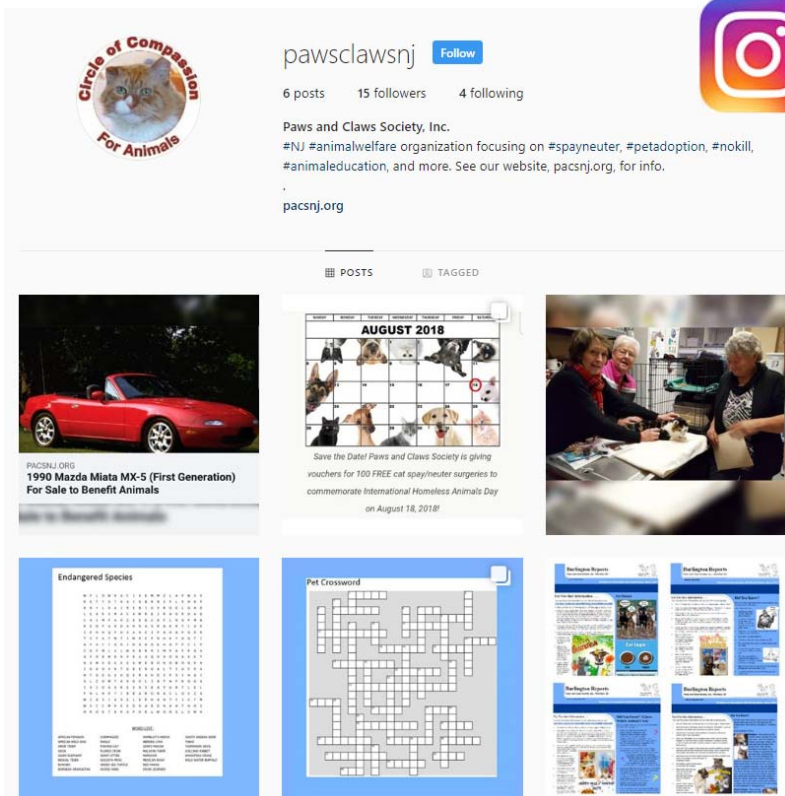
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