

BEST FRIENDS JUNIOR AMBASSADOR ACTIVITY GUIDE

Together,
we can Save
Them All.[®]



What is a Best Friends Animal Society JUNIOR AMBASSADOR?

A **junior ambassador** understands the golden rule: to treat others as you would wish to be treated. Junior ambassadors promise to learn about ways they can make a positive difference in the lives of animals and they help carry the message of Save Them All to their communities at home.

Complete eight or more of the activities in this booklet to earn your badge!



Learn about Best Friends

Take a virtual tour of Best Friends Animal Sanctuary and the Best Friends Visitor Center in Kanab, Utah. Pay close attention and answer the questions below.

SANCTUARY TOUR



1. How many animals live at the Sanctuary on any given day?
2. List at least five of the different kinds of animals living at the Sanctuary.

3. Who lives in Old Friends?

4. How long can some parrots live?

5. How many wind chimes are in Angels Rest?

6. What are three reasons that animals come to live at Best Friends?



VISITOR CENTER TOUR

1. What are the names of two animals rescued by Best Friends during Hurricane Katrina?

2. How many of the dogs owned by Michael Vick came to Best Friends Animal Sanctuary?

3. Name two programs Best Friends uses to save the lives of animals. Can you explain them in your own words?

DID YOU KNOW ?

Millions of people will add a new pet to their families this year. By choosing adoption, we can help save the lives of homeless pets. Can you think of three reasons why everyone should adopt? List them below.

REASON 1

REASON 2

REASON 3



SANCTUARY SIGNS

Oops. Someone forgot to finish the signs at Best Friends Animal Sanctuary. Can you help fill in the blanks below?



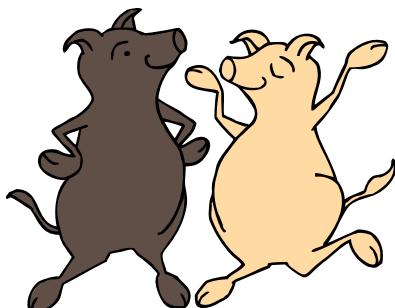
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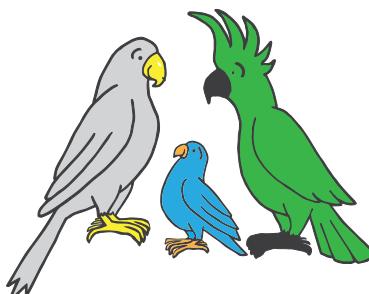
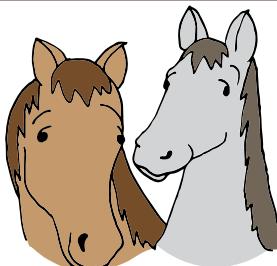
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SAVE THEM ALL

Answer the following questions in the space below.

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What does Save Them All mean to you?

What are two things YOU can do to help save homeless pets?



WORD SEARCH

Find as many words as you can!

SPAY

NEUTER

ADOPTION

DOGS

CATS

FRIENDS

KINDNESS

VOLUNTEER

SANCTUARY

ANIMALS

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MY VIRTUAL VISIT TO BEST FRIENDS

Fill in your own words to complete this story.

My family and I got to virtually visit Best Friends

_____ in Kanab and it was so _____. We
got to see _____ and _____, and we learned
all about _____.

My favorite part was _____ the _____.

I want to help the animals, which means

I'm going to tell my _____ and
_____ about Best Friends and
how we can all _____ the lives of
animals.

I can't wait to _____ with my

local shelter so I can _____
to Save Them All.



LIFESAVING LANGUAGE

Match these words to their definitions.

Breed discrimination

A safe surgery done to prevent animals from having babies

Golden rule

A process in which free-roaming cats are trapped, taken to a clinic and spayed or neutered, and then returned to their outdoor home

Feral or community cat

Treating all living things as you would wish to be treated

Adoption

Getting a pet from a shelter or rescue group instead of buying one at a store

Trap-neuter-return

Judging an animal based on the way he or she looks rather than his or her personality

Spay or neuter

A cat who lives outside and prefers to be with other cats rather than people



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HELP TIMMY GET ADOPTED

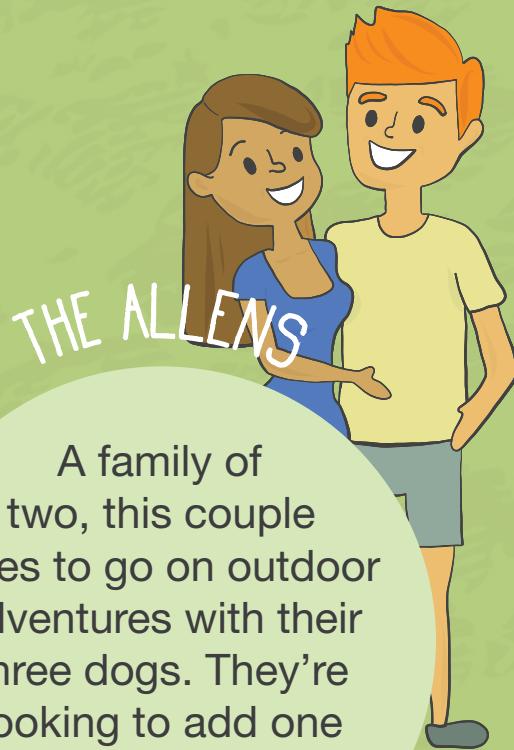
Every one of these families can provide a loving home to a dog. But which home is the right one for Timmy?

My name is Timmy. I love to play and be around people. I am a **VERY** active dog. I am full of energy and would make a great running or hiking partner. I don't get along very well with other dogs, but sometimes I make friends with cats.



THE WILSONS

This small family wants to adopt a really cute dog, mostly to cuddle and take pictures with. They're very busy, so they don't have much time for walks or playtime outside.



THE ALLENS

A family of two, this couple loves to go on outdoor adventures with their three dogs. They're looking to add one more dog to their furry family.

THE GARCIAS

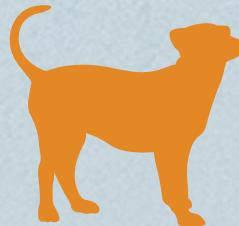
This family loves to visit the park and go on hikes together. With two kids and a cat, they're interested in adopting their very first dog.



TOO MANY PUPPIES WITHOUT HOMES

Clara was adopted by a family that only wants one dog, but didn't get her spayed and she had a litter of puppies.

Answer the questions below.



What is the total number of puppies born because Clara wasn't spayed?

Will it be easy to find homes for all of Clara's puppies?



What could Clara's family have done differently to prevent so many puppies from being born?

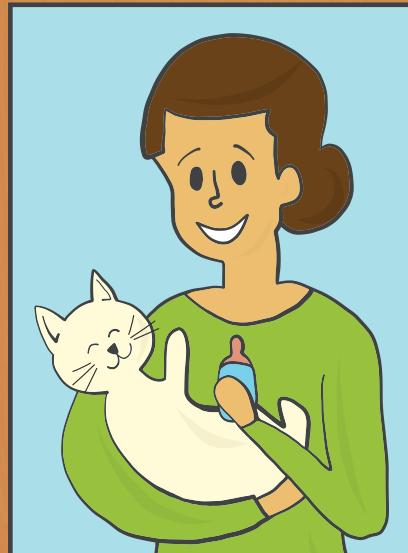
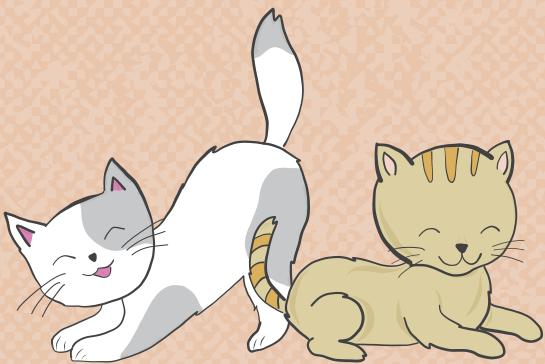
WHAT IS FOSTERING?

Pet fostering means that you temporarily welcome into your home a pet who otherwise would be in a shelter. You provide the animal with love, care and attention, in addition to a safe, clean space for a few days, weeks or longer.

Fostering opens up space for another animal to stay at the shelter. Shelters can be noisy and stressful for animals. Many shelters cannot take in orphaned or newborn animals. Shelters are always in need of foster families, especially when it comes to kittens.



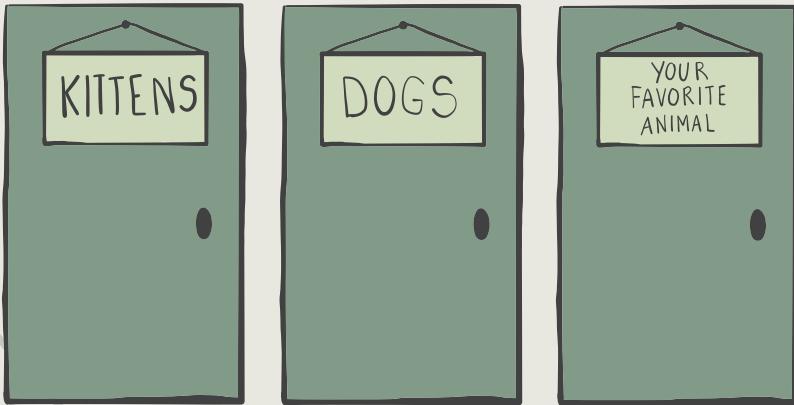
If you are interested in taking our **Best Friends** junior ambassador foster certification program, click on the link or visit www.bestfriends.org/events/bffostercamp.



BEST FRIENDS BRAIN TEASERS

Can you solve the following riddles?

1. A family that wants to adopt a new pet drives to a local shelter and finds three doors with signs on them.



Which door do they open first?

2. In a one-story adoption center, everything is orange. There's an orange person, an orange cat, an orange kitten, an orange pit bull terrier, an orange puppy, an orange mixed-breed dog, orange walls, orange chairs, orange desks. What color are the stairs?



3. What is at the end of the Best Friends Animal Sanctuary tour?



TAKE THE JUNIOR AMBASSADOR OATH

Now that you've completed eight activities, stop by Best Friends Animal Sanctuary or the Best Friends Visitor Center and recite this oath to receive your badge. If you are participating virtually, have your parent or guardian send us an email at ja@bestfriends.org and we will mail you your badge.

As a Best Friends junior ambassador, I promise to teach others what I have learned about saving homeless pets.

I have learned the golden rule, and I promise to treat animals and people with kindness and respect. I also promise to continue to learn about ways I can make a positive difference in the lives of animals and help my community reach the goal to Save Them All.

Name

Date

Witness



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HOW I'M HELPING THE ANIMALS

-  Don't judge an animal's worth by how cute or smart he or she is (or isn't). Remember that all animals deserve our respect and protection.
-  Speak positively about animals.
-  Be considerate of wild animals' need for peace, safety and privacy. Avoid chasing animals, picking up their babies, or making noise that would disturb or frighten them.
-  Learn how pets like to be approached and avoid handling them in ways that might scare them, hurt them or make them feel uneasy.
-  Appreciate the characteristics that make every pet special. Recognize that one kind of pet is not better or worse than others.
-  Pay attention to the way animals communicate. Through their voices and body language, you can try to understand what they are trying to communicate, such as "I am scared," "Play with me" or "I'd like to be alone."



ONE MORE STEP

Now that you're a Best Friends junior ambassador, get involved at your local shelter. With the help of your parents, visit an animal shelter near your home to learn more about how you can help save the lives of homeless pets in your community.

Make sure you wear your badge when you visit the shelter. While you're there, ask someone from the shelter to sign the bottom of this page. Your parents can take a picture of this page and send it to us at **JA@bestfriends.org**. We'll mail you a cool Best Friends junior ambassador sticker to complete this activity!



Signature

COMPLETE THIS PICTURE BY COLORING IT IN.

