

Let's solve PET (OVER) POPULATION













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AWARENESS ACTIVITES

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Lesson OverviewTeacher Tips & Suggestions

These progressive activities are inter-related. It's a rested each stage is presented in order. Time duration: 20-30 minutes or activity and 10 minutes for intro and wrap-up. (Approximate), 90 minutes total.)

Activities can use a whiteboard, or as handous, or to post on a bulletin board. Activities can be used in groups of independently.

- **1)** <u>Introduce the Lesson.</u> Show this lesson. This will set the stage for the subject ctivities to follow.
- 2) <u>Introduce Topics</u>. The Introduction page can be read to groups and/or shown on the white oard. 'ead it aloud, or have a student read it to the class. The <u>Interestion</u> primes students for the critical thinking activities ahead related to social issues.
- **3)** Q&As can be projected overhead and/or reviewed on each activity page. Questions can be presented one at a time- or as a whole page. The questions and be project; inspire thoughts on this subject; or used as an icebrezion discussion starter.

4 Acti ity Page .

Activit 1: Personal Perceptions and/or Opinions on Topic

<u>inty 2</u>: Problem-Solution (Both short- and long term)

Active 3: Responsibility and Creating Solutions

(What can be done on a personal and/or public level)

Activity 4: Wrap Up with 3 *Concluding Thoughts*: Ask what new ideas, thoughts or actions students might consider and/or integrate. This activity is for student reflection.

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The statistics are overwhelming. Every year there are malions of dogs and cats euthanized not only in United States, but brough out the world. And the problem is growing out of control every are not year. Lucky are those who get adopted out, and find their arrever homes.

This pet population explosion is primarily due to two picalems:

- Over breeding of animals
- Not spaying or neutering pets

Female cats can breed 3 times a year and we in average of 4 kittens per litter. Dogs can breed we a year with litters of 6-10 puppies. In 7 years, one unfixe female at and her offspring can produce 420,000 cats. And one i male dog and her offspring can produce 99,000 dogs.

You can easily see how net over population is exploding out of proportion to the resource available that can sustain their welfare. Thus the reason over 3 million cats and dogs are euthanized each year. Unfortunately in tragery reflects the consequences of human choices, and unaware and to consequences thereto.

This lesson ex, ares the challenges of these unwanted pets. We will be altique to the rue; and evaluating resolutions. We will address these topus through these activities:

- 1. F. ''_/Personal Perceptions and Opinions
- 2. Prop m-Solution (Both short- and long term)
- 3. Who is sponsible? (To educate, enforce, and act conscientiously)

Let's Begin!

Let's Solve Pet (Over) Population ACTIVITY 1

YOUR PERSONAL PERCEPTIONS/O'LINE 'S

Question	YOALL	ception/Opinion:
Why do you think pet owners		
chose to <u>not</u> spay or neute		
their pets?		
Do you be' 'e the general		
publica s concers over		
+ ove population?		
Why, hd/or why not?		İ

Question	Your Perception/Opinion:
Do you think animal breeders consider long term consequences and their responsibility towards the offspring produced from their animals?	
Do you believe Human Societies, and pet rescue efforts, is the long term answer to pet not population? With its your opinion of	
Why pe 1/2 do not spay/neuter their pets?	

Let's Solve Pet (Over) Population ACTIVITY 1

What is YOUR Opinion of the Public Perception Concerning Pet Ove. In Ilation. Write 3-5 first words or thoughts that come to inind.

What is Y sona' Opinion of Pet Over Population.

Writ: 3-5 worker, or thoughts, that come to mind.

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HOW TO HELP SOLVE PET OVER POLVE ON

Identify a Problem Related to Not Spaying or Neutering a Pet	Share and/or parties the Long Consequences
-	ow 1 Person Can Contribute Over Population Problem.

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EDUCATE FOR PET POPULATION AW Are "SS

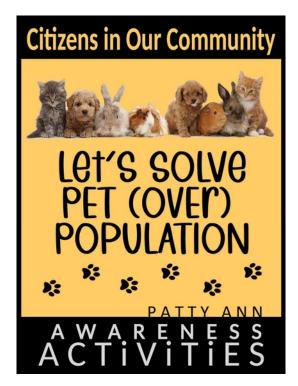
Question	Y /ur 7 /10 /1ghts & Ideas:
What can you do personally	
to cause more awareness .c	
pet over breeding pract ces	
and the spay-neutering of	
animals?	
How n pet wners take	
r spons lility for their pets	
we r for both short- and	
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