



Kid's Corner Newsletter

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May is National Pet Month

Thinking of adding a new animal friend to your family?

Things to Consider When Choosing a New Pet...



Cost

In 2024, a total of \$150.6 billion is projected to be spent on pets in the U.S. You need to have money for daily care needs, toys, and vet care.

Lifestyle

Does your family travel often? Are you away for long hours? Are you home most of the day? Do you like being active or less active? Different types of pets have different lifestyle needs.

Care

Consider what care your new animal may need on a daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly basis. Things like feeding, cleaning, grooming, and vet care.

Lifespan

Lifespans can vary greatly between species. The lifespan of a mouse or rat tends to be much shorter than a house cat or even a bird.

Housing

Consider what spacing options you may need for your new animal to keep them happy and healthy.

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If you're like us, every day is a day to celebrate pets. However, this month is a great reminder to spend a little extra time on the love and joy pets bring to our lives.



ARE YOU READY TO CELEBRATE, BUT NOT SURE WHERE TO START? HERE ARE JUST A FEW IDEAS TO GET YOU GOING:



- Teach your pet a new trick. Both dogs and cats can learn tricks.

- Adopt a shelter pet. What better way to celebrate National Pet Month than by giving a pet a furr-ever home?



- Love your pet? See your vet! Taking care of your pet's health is a great way to show how much you love them. Preventive care can help your pet live a happier, healthier, longer life.



- Exercise with your pet. In the US, over 50% of dogs and cats are overweight or obese. Getting regular exercise with your pet increases their cardiovascular health. Plus, the more time you spend with your pet, the stronger the bond!

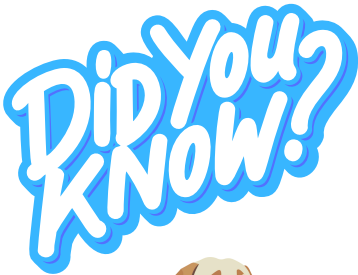
May is Chip Your Pet Month!

May is Chip Your Pet Month, so it's a perfect time to learn more about dog and cat microchipping.



What is a microchip?

It is a tiny, permanent identification device, about the size of a grain of rice, that's implanted under the skin of a dog or cat. If your pet is lost, a shelter or vet can scan the microchip to retrieve your information and reunite you with your pet.



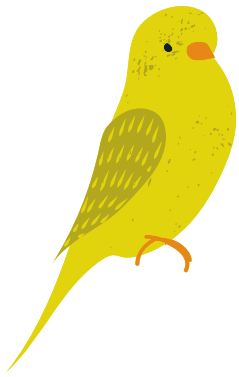
Microchipping greatly increases the chances of being reunited with a lost pet.



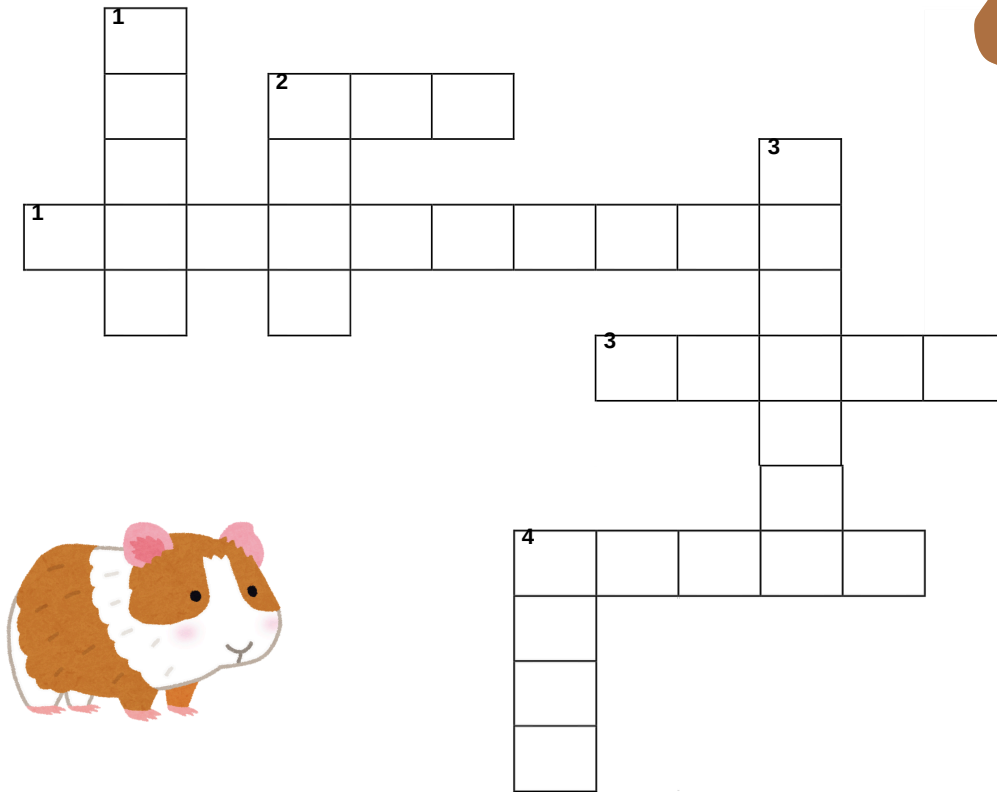
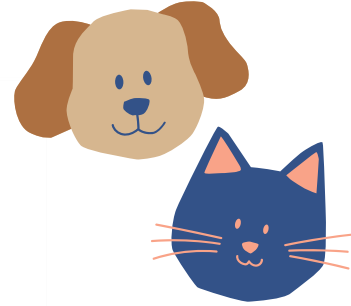
Microchipped dogs are 2x more likely to be returned to their families.



Microchipped cats are 20x more likely to be returned to their families.



Animal Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Before you pet a dog, first ask the owner's _____.
2. Your pet should wear an identification _____ so he can be returned home if found.
3. The animal shelter is a wonderful place to _____ a pet!
4. Keep your dog safe by walking him on a _____.

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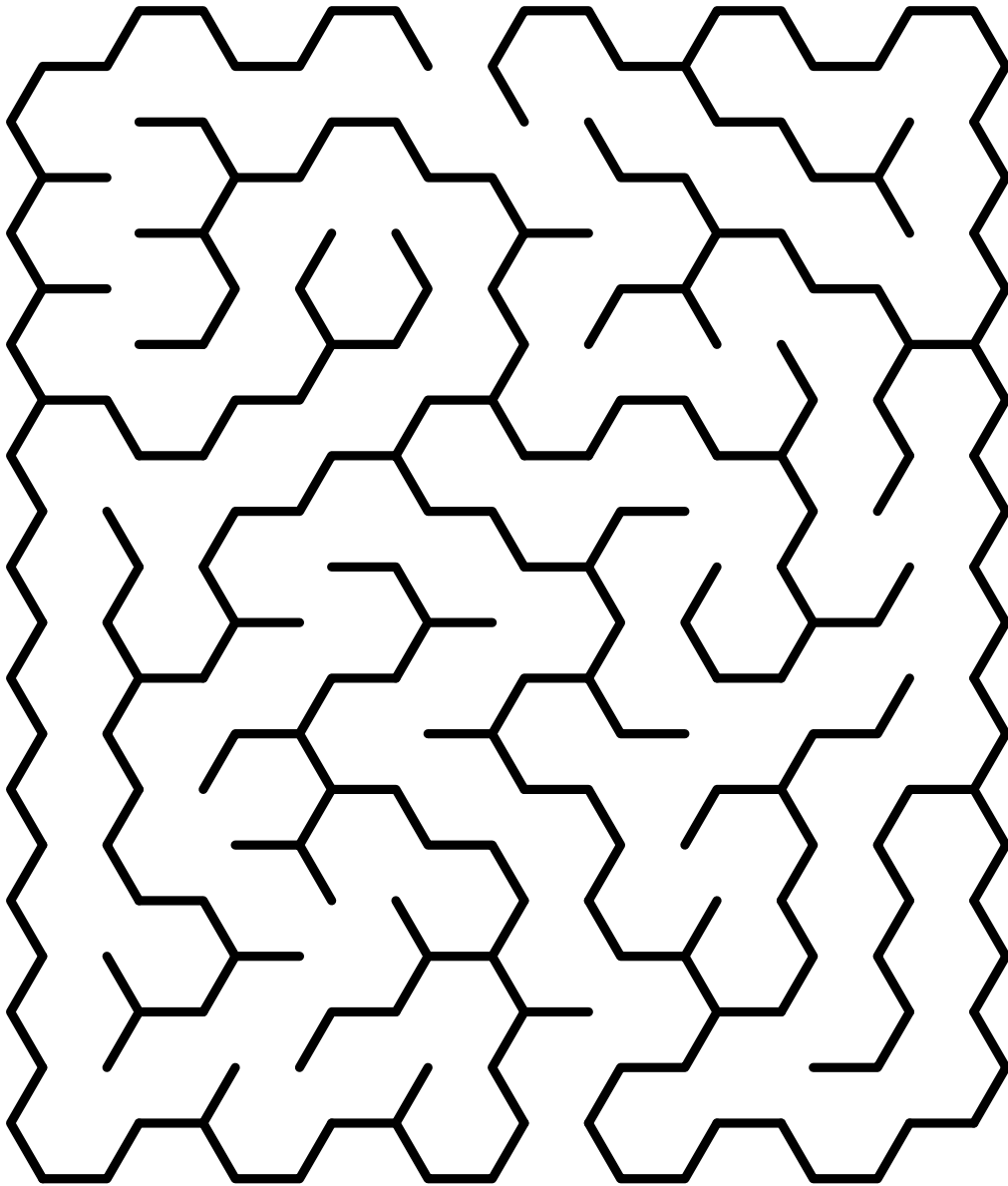
1. Pets need this available to them at all times.
2. Spend lots of _____ with your pet each day.
3. The safest place for your pet to live is _____ with you.
4. Something your pet needs lots of that doesn't cost a penny!

ANSWER KEY:

DOWN	ACROSS
1. water	1. permission
2. time	2. tag
3. indoors	3. adopt
4. love	4. leash



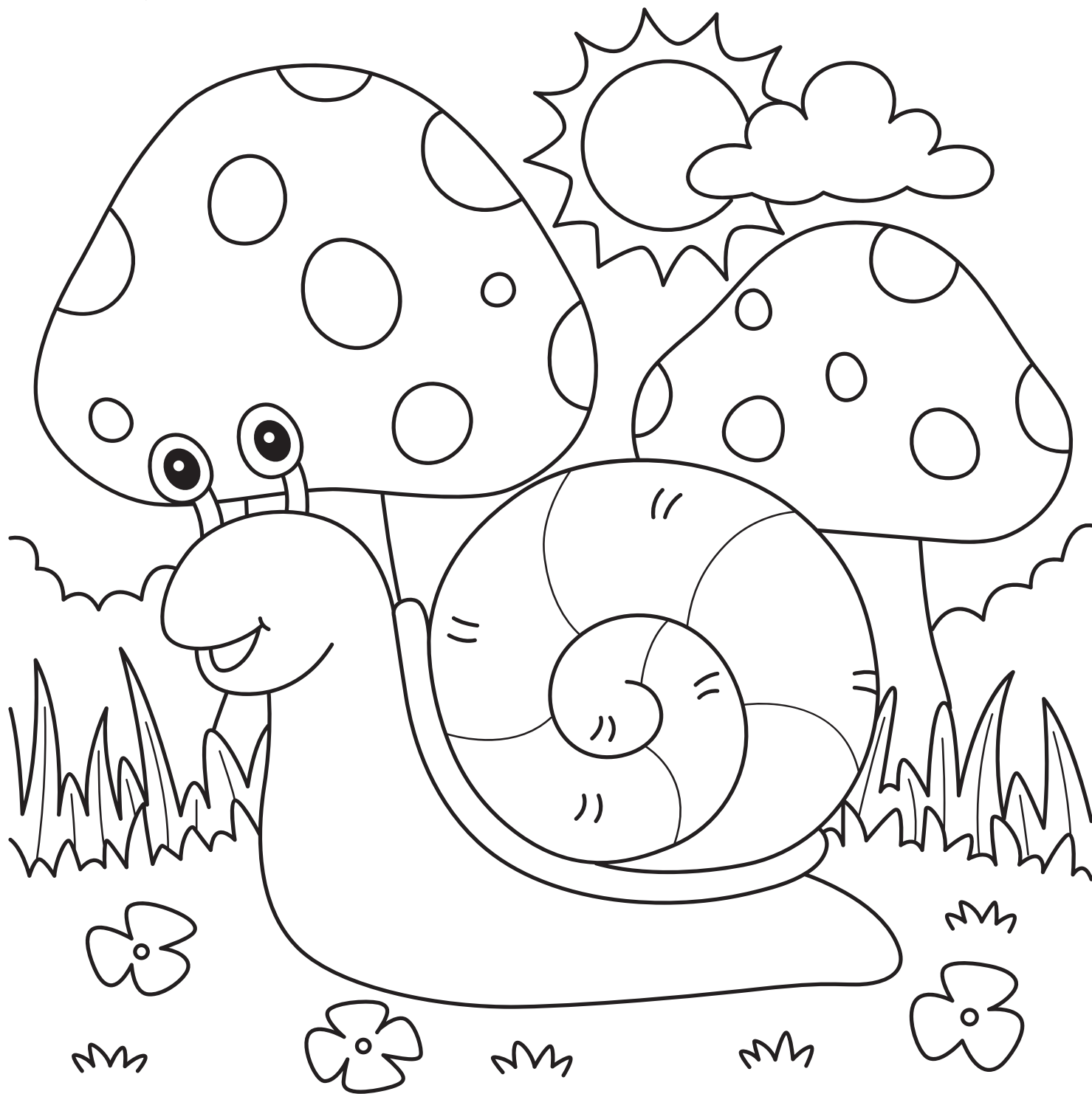
Bee-sy Maze!



Help the bee find his
way back to his hive!

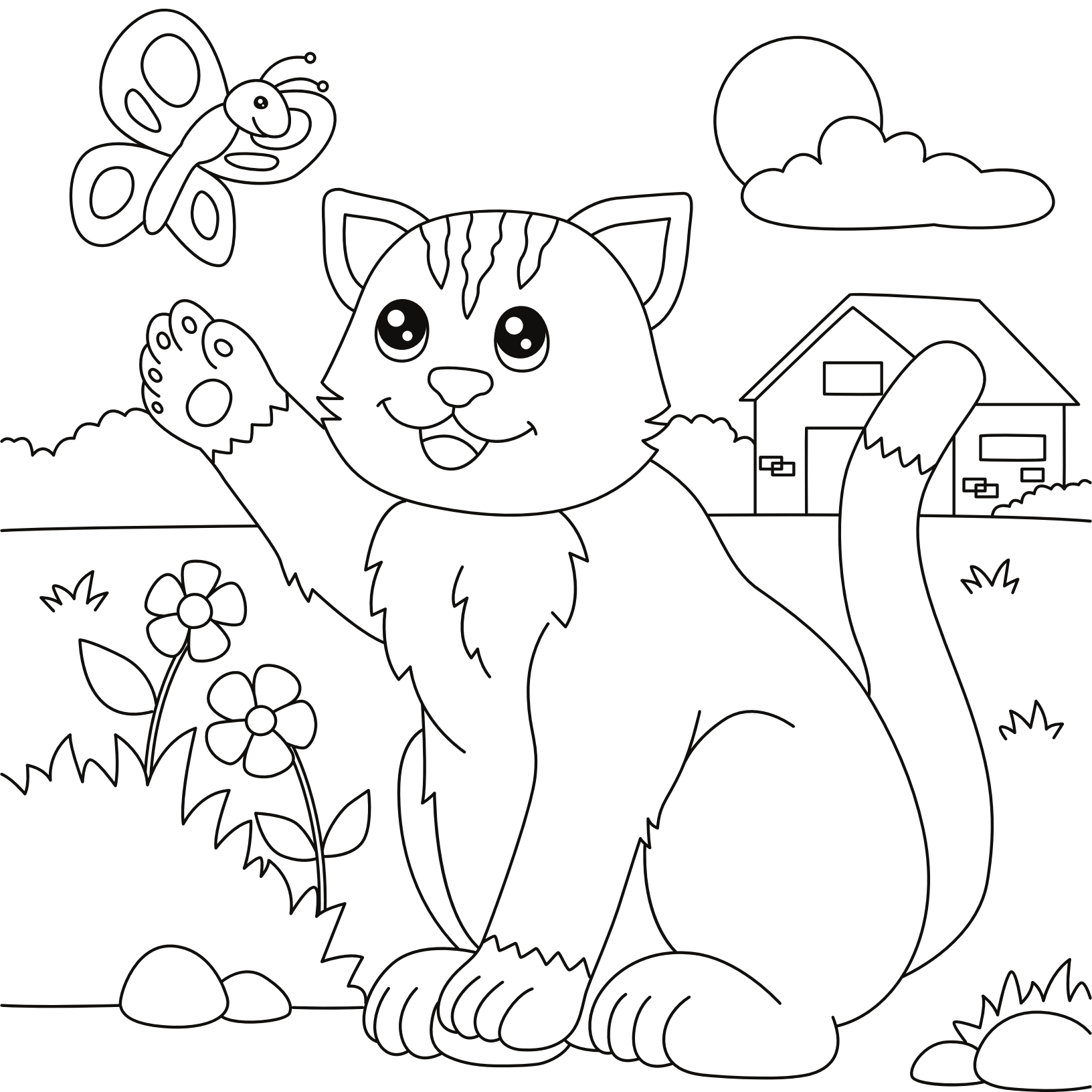


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Our Book of the Month!



Located in ARLNH's
Humane Education
Library!

The Odd Dog by Leia Barrett is a charming picture book about a dog who never quite fits in. After being adopted from a shelter, the pup realizes that their new family doesn't understand all the unusual things they can do, like trying to fly, climbing trees (sort of), and swimming with the best of them. At first, the dog's differences seem like a problem. But with time, love, and a little creative problem-solving, the family finds a way to let their "odd" dog be exactly who they are meant to be.

Tales for Tails!

LOVE READING? COME ON BY
AND READ TO OUR SHELTER PETS
AS THEY AWAIT ADOPTION DAY!



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<https://calendly.com/csilva-5ti/tales-for-tails>

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