

Room 22 – Big Writing

Cats or Dogs - Which is the better pet?

By Kallaghn - Year 4

Dogs, you ***JUST*** have to love them, however, some people say cats are better? Well, I am here to prove them **WRONG!**

The fact is (believe it or not) *dogs* keep you fit! Everyone knows that we need exercise to stay healthy, well so do dogs! A dog owner can run or walk while your dog does just that. On the other hand, cats just sit around all day and be lazy. Well, I can guess what *cat* owners do...
Be lazy

I ask you, do you get scared of burglars at night? Well, **never fear - your trusty canine is here!** Studies show that *dog* owners are safer at night. Speaking of which 99.9% of earth's population has a dog as a pet. On the other hand, 0.1% of the earth's population has a cat as a pet. The figures speak for themselves...

These are some things that dogs can do and cats can't:

- Swim at the beach
- Play fetch.
- Protect you from harm's way.
- Go for walks.
- Be a pet!

Ok, I might have been, *exaggerating* a little bit on that last one.

Cats are good in **some** ways, (I have to admit they can be cute.) You don't have to take them for a walk and you don't have to worry about guests being bit or stepping in their droppings but **THEY ARE LAZY, THEY DON'T GIVE A CARE ABOUT SAFETY, THEY OWN YOU!!!**

In conclusion, dogs are the ***BEST*** pet you can have. Do join the dog side and have a man's best friend!

Grandmother of the Year

By Samuel – Year 3

‘Grandmother’ – a noun = A person described as a parent’s mother. I think I can add some warmth to that humble definition. After all, there are so many Grandmothers out there who protect and support their children and grandchildren. My Grandmother is one of them. A Grandmother is love, warmth, a radiant beam of sunshine, a smile and a huge hug. She is a remarkable person, well beyond extraordinary in fact! She is certainly one in a million, no make that one in a BILLION! That is why my Grandmother should be the ‘Grandmother of the Year.’

I know that my Grandmother should be ‘Grandmother of the Year’ because her love for me and my family is a little different than any other Grandma in the world. Do you know why? It’s because she has a heart of gold and her love for me (and my family) is as big as the sun. My Mum says that our Grandmother deserves to be the ‘Grandmother of the Year.’ Are you convinced enough? If not, read on.

Surely my lovely Grandma should be ‘Grandmother of the Year’ because she works around the house, non-stop! She does all the work because my Mum takes care of the baby, my Dad has to go to his office, my brothers are too young to help and I help her very rarely. Just imagine a world where Grandmothers didn’t help out the family. Come on, imagine it for a minute or two... The world I imagined was cruel, terrible and horrible. So come on people, surely by now you would agree that my Grandmother should be the one of the year.

Moreover, my Grandmother came from India to Australia just to see me as a baby. She also gave me my first solid food feed. Isn’t that INCREDIBLE! I

asked 100 people if they agree with me and a staggering 90% agreed. My Grandmother truly deserves to be 'Grandmother of the Year.' Without a doubt, you should agree with me by now. I have told you every reason I can. So, come on people – vote for my Grandmother now. The moral of this text is that Grandmothers are very affectionate and giving to our families. They all deserve our recognition and I'm sure you all agree with me that every Grandmother should be the 'Grandmother of the Year' in our own special way.

Hero - The Introduction

By Cathy – Year 4

As the glass shattered into a million pieces, the fierce air current blew through the curtains, brushing against my sleeping face. I woke to see what in the world was going on. My nearly immovable feet slid across the delicate mansion's floor. I walked past my paintings, the delicate wooden furnishings and my library. A few moments later, I reached the room with my vase collection (and other precious belongings like that.) In that room, I collected many valuables and one such valuable were ornaments of doves. To my surprise, one had come alive! And, even more miraculous, it started talking. It spoke "Greetings my child. It is important that you take a look in your closet."

"My closet?" I asked dumbfounded, "But...Excuse me, little fella. My walk-in closet is huge." In any case, I decided to check the closet, as I was still somewhat confused as to what had just happened. Was it all a dream, I wondered...

Grandmother of the Year

By Tyriq – Year 4

I firmly believe that my Nan should be made 'Grandmother of the Year' because she has been looking after my siblings and I for five years. She is a very special Nan who sacrifices everything for the care of her grandchildren and her children. Surely you would agree that that is a great reason why my Nan should be 'Grandmother of the Year.'

My Nan should be 'Grandmother of the Year' because Nan takes me to school. At school, whilst in my class, I often think about how my Nan is like a sunset to me.

My Nan is a brilliant example of her work as a councillor. No matter what happens, my Nan is a winner and a ruby in my eyes. No matter what anyone else says, she is already a Grandmother of the Year. My Nan is the best Nan in the world. She is most undeniably, the most caring Nan of them all.

My Nan is the first day of Spring, after the long Winter. In fact, she is more than the 'Grandmother of the Year,' as I believe she is the 'Grandmother of the Century.'

Computer Games - Are they a waste of time?

By Jacob - Year 3

I strongly believe that computer games are waste of time. They can lead to many damaging health effects such as creating eyestrain which may lead to you needing glasses. So listen to these amazing reasons why computer games are a waste of time!

I have to say that computer games are nowadays spelling the death of freedom. In the past few years (2000-2015) lots of children are becoming addicted to computer games. Some people say that games like Minecraft are helping children for architecture, however, I believe that those skills detract from the harmful outcomes of Minecraft. After all, all you have to do in Minecraft is put a couple of bricks into different places. How is that architecture? These games are unreliable for education. Even the education minister, Mr Peter Collier says "Computer games are a waste of time." So switch off your screen and switch on your life - now.

I'm absolutely certain that even Tony Abbott will say 'no' to computer games. Rather than zapping aliens and destroying cities, or riding spaceships, you could be doing something else like communicating with others. If you don't listen to me, you are going to regret it. Communication is vital but you will never get this from a computer game.

The fact is, playing computer games is bad for your very fragile eyes when you're growing up. In addition to the health effects, you might even get hacked. Our class has learnt the importance of internet safety and how easy it is for hackers to hack your computer if you do not have hard passwords. When the Life Ed Van came to visit, I learned that by clicking

on adverts for games, your computer can be easily hacked. People get paid for creating viruses. It is easy for a virus to spread through your whole device without you knowing until the computer quite literally goes 'bang.'

In conclusion, I believe that you can't communicate with real people unless you spend a lot of time studying. So don't play a lot of computer games and think about your mental health. Turn of your screen and get really fit now.