

## Year 6 Literacy Homework

Due in Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Read the discussion text 'Should Children Be Allowed to Own Pets?' and answer the following questions in your homework book. Remember to write full sentence answers.

1. What is the first argument that supports pet ownership?
2. Why does the article say that some children might become scared of animals?
3. On whom does the cost of owning pets ultimately fall?
4. The article states that pets require a lot of maintenance. What does this mean?
5. The article also states that some dogs may be inclined to bite. What does this mean?
6. Why do you think the article includes arguments for and against pet ownership in the opening paragraph?
7. Why do you think looking after pets could help children one day look after their own children?
8. Why do you think the penultimate paragraph says that children don't really understand the full responsibility of owning a pet?
9. What is the effect of starting the fourth paragraph with the opener 'On the other hand'?
10. On balance, do you think there are more arguments for or against children owning pets in this article? Explain your answer using evidence.