

We have a challenge for you!

Animal Helpers Challenge



Be an animal helper!

- 1. Explore the connection between humans and animals**
- 2. Find out how animals help keep people safe**
- 3. Learn how animals help people emotionally**
- 4. Learn how animals help people with disabilities and how they might help people in the future**
- 5. Share @gsnnj**

We are going to have a barking good time. Learn how the human-animal connection has evolved over time, read stories about animal heroes, and get a sense of different animals unique skills and abilities. Share with us @gsnnj

Supplies:

- Pen or pencil**
- Paper**
- Rulers**
- Smart phone with video capabilities**

Answer the questions on the following page and research how the connection between humans and animals have evolved. Did you notice anything really unique? What did the animal do that stood out to you?

If possible, interview a pet owner, if you do not have a pet yourself, and learn about their relationship with their pet. Did they go through training? Research the pros and cons of training assistance animals.

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Animal Helpers Challenge Explained

Answer the following questions and complete the projects below.

1. How did views of animals change over time? _____

2. Can you think of any other animals that are commonly domesticated?

Not only have human and animals depended on each other for love and companionship, but humans have also depending on animals for physical support, psychological support, and more!

3. Can you think of ways that animals may have helped humans in terms of agriculture, food, or clothing? _____

4. Why do you think the human-animal connection has evolved over time?

5. Have you ever witnessed an animal doing some thing noticeably unique, what was it doing? _____

6. Have you ever witnessed an animal solving a problem and thought to yourself, how in the world did it do that?! _____



Create a chart comparing the senses and sensibilities of five animals of your choosing to humans. As you consider the ways that animals are already doing cool, unique things, try to think of ways that animals may use their unique abilities to help humans in the future.

Research the pros and cons of training assistance animals.

Interview a pet owner and learn about their relationship with them.