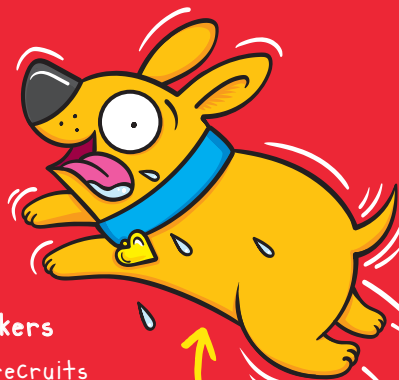




**CAPTAIN
FLUFFYKINS**

The most miserable
cat on the planet

HISS!



NICKERS

A drooling dog who
likes to steal

WORST PETS EVER



LOCKED UP!

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WORST PETS

**LOCKED
UP!**

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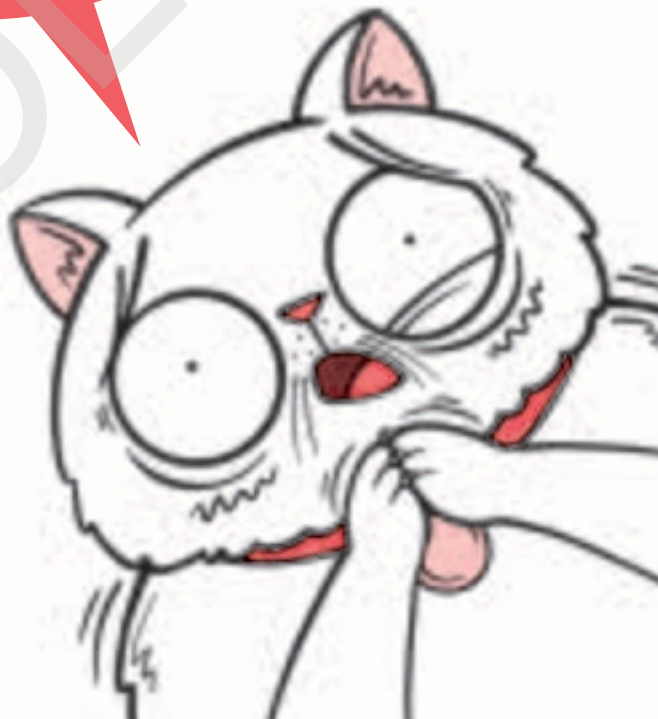


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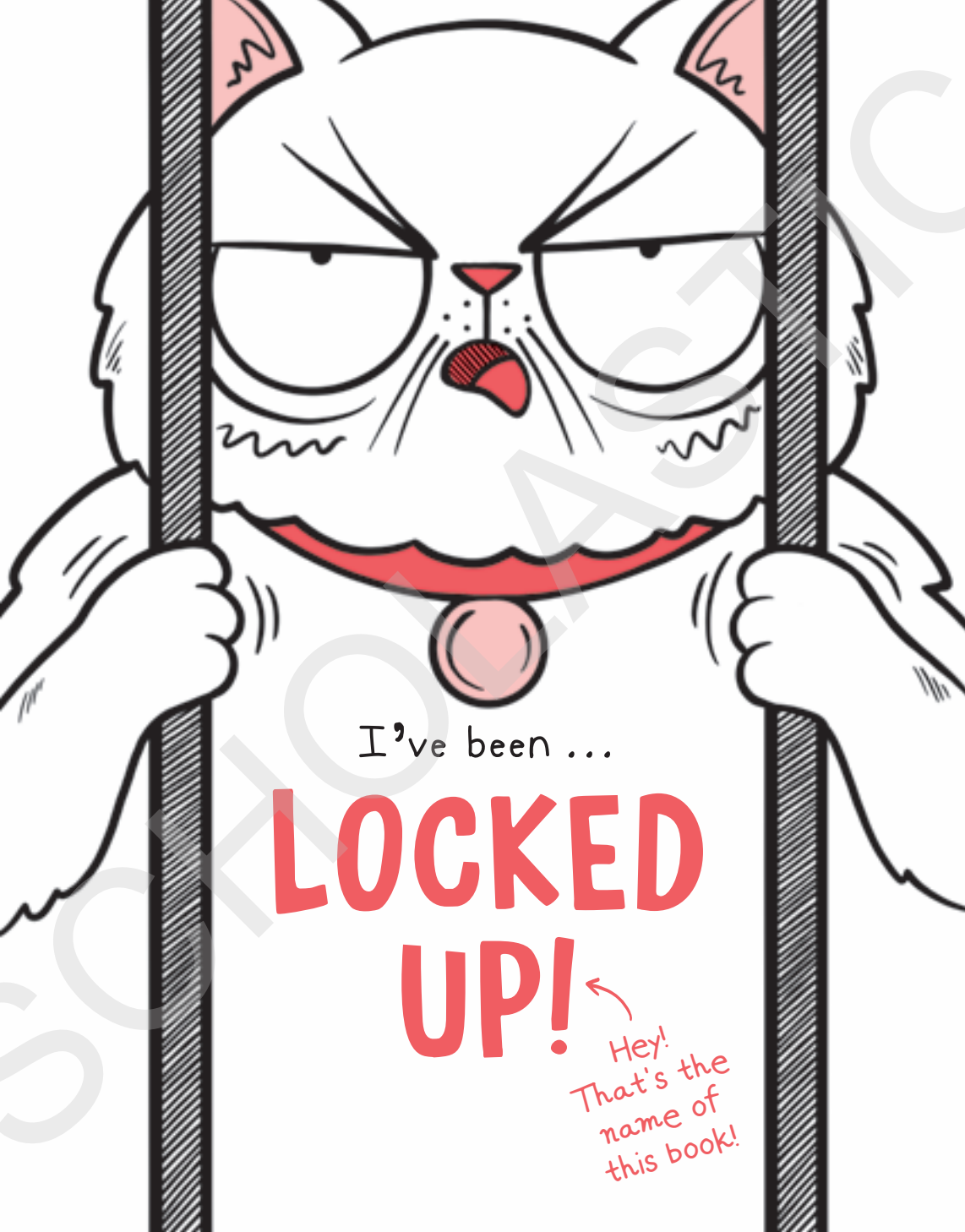
You've got
to **HELP ME!**



There's been a mistake.

A terribly **HUGE**
and hugely **TERRIBLE**
MISTAKE!





I've been ...

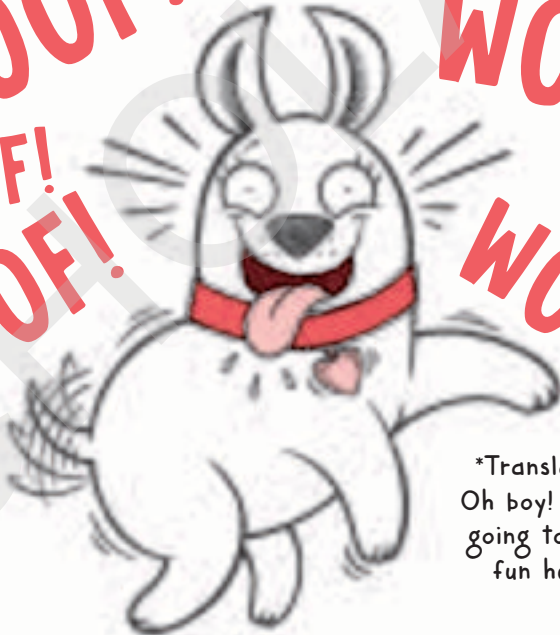
**LOCKED
UP!**

Hey!
That's the
name of
this book!

With HER!

(Wince)

WOOF! WOOF! WOOF!
WOOF! WOOF! WOOF!
WOOF! WOOF! WOOF!
WOOF! WOOF! WOOF!*

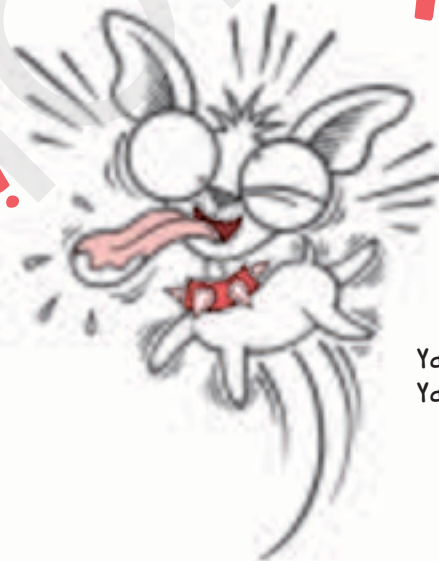


*Translation: Oh boy!
Oh boy! Oh boy! We're
going to have so much
fun here together!

And HIM!

(Shudder)

YAP! YAP! YAP!
YAP! YAP! YAP!
YAP! YAP! YAP!
YAP! YAP! YAP!
YAP! YAP!*

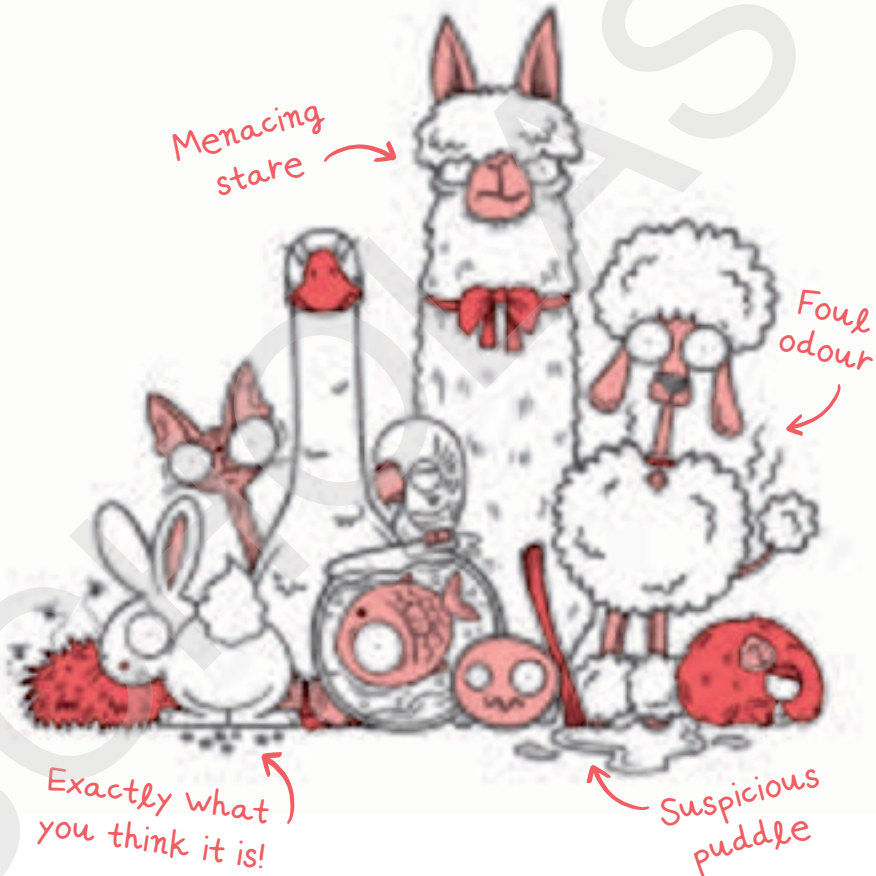


*Yap! Yap! Yap!
Yap! Yap! Yap! Yap!
Yap! Yap! Yap! Yap!
Yap! Yap! Yap!

And **THEM!**

Whoever, or **WHATEVER**,

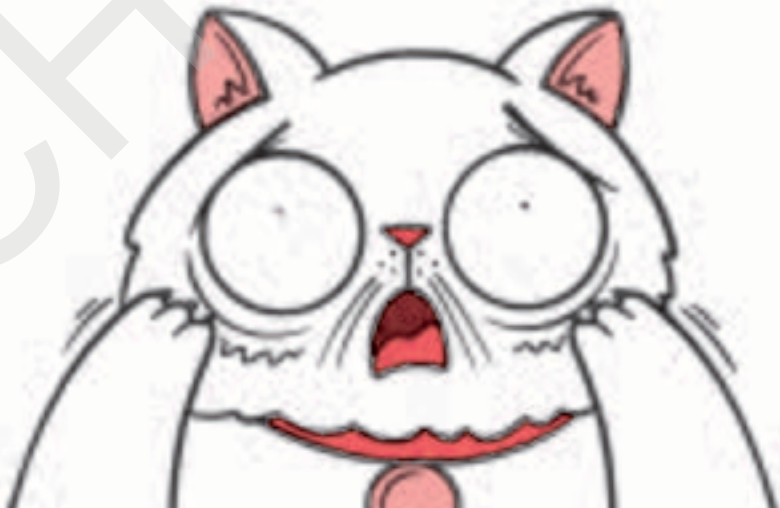
THEY are. (Dry retch!)



I am *the* most famous,
important, and **HANDSOME**
cat in the **UNIVERSE**.

I am perfectly wonderful
and wonderfully **PERFECT!**

I certainly **DO NOT**
belong in here with the ...



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PETS
EVER!**

BOOK 1: LOCKED UP!

A Scholastic Australia Book

CHAPTER 1

BETRAYED!

Starring:

CAPTAIN FLUFFYKINS

(Scoffs)
Like I need an
introduction!



EARLIER
THAT
MORNING

I wonder where
this loser is taking
me today?

*Pawtable
Kitty Kat
Karrier*

PROS:
Beats walking

CONS:
I look like
a handbag



Maybe for a relaxing,
well deserved
massage.

*The ONLY
way I like
cucumbers.*

That's
the spot!

Maybe to have my
portrait painted.

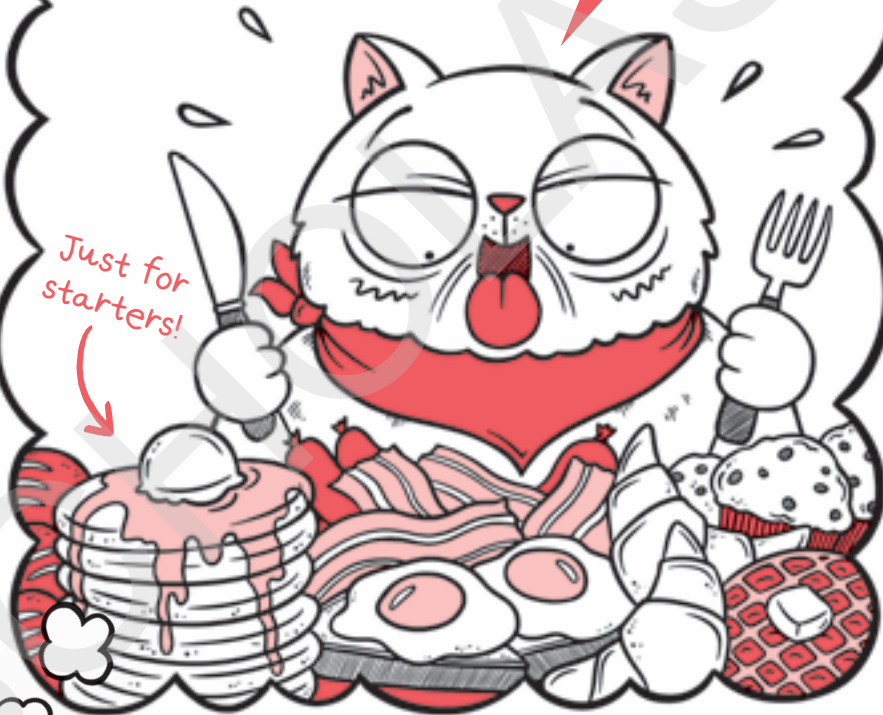
**MORE
muscles!**

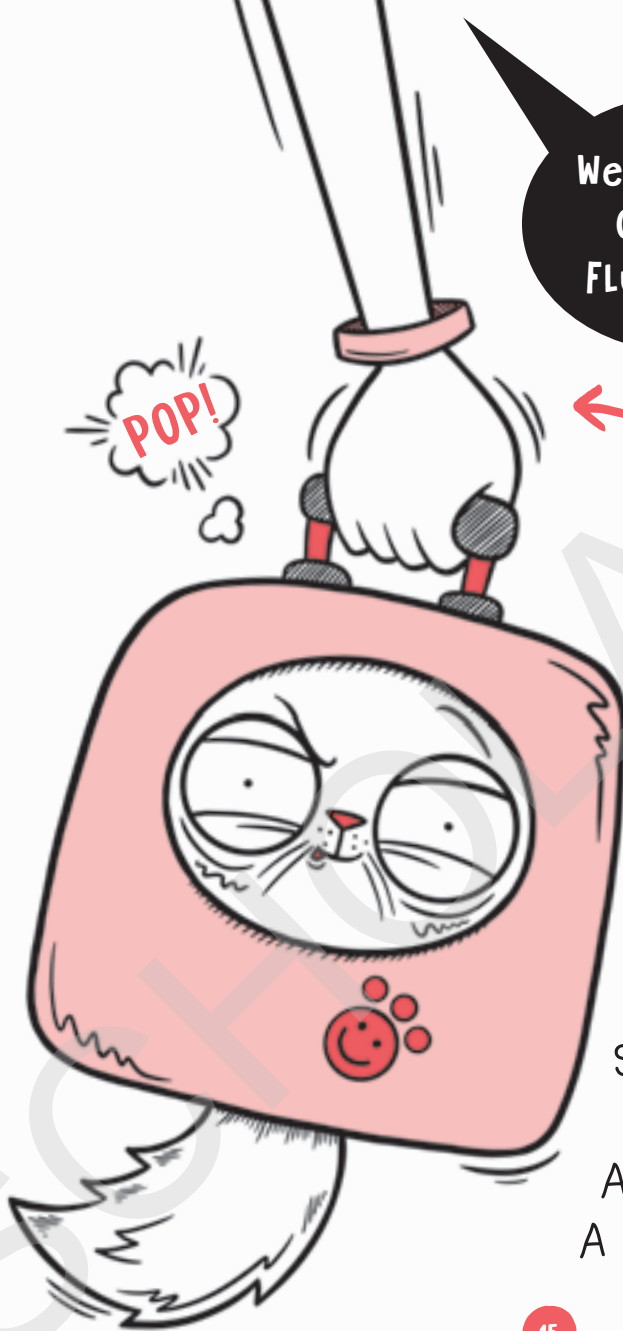
*A perfect
likeness.*

Maybe an
ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT
buffet breakfast.

Challenge
accepted!

Just for
starters!





We're here,
Captain
FLuffykins!

That's my
so-called
'OWNER'. Don't
worry about
him. He's NOT
important.

Finally!

So where are we?

A day spa?

A portrait studio?

A fancy restaurant?

Your
temporary
new home!

Shiny sign
on the door

WORST PETS EVER

MAXIMUM SECURITY

OBEDIENCE SCHOOL

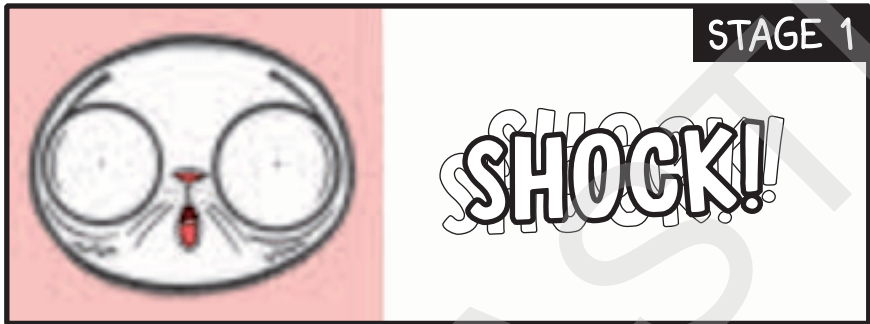
& CORRECTIONAL ACADEMY

for NAUGHTY CRITTERS

We'll fix your problem pet's
bad behaviour AND attitude

by any means necessary!

Wait just a minute! I need to process this.



Don't worry,
Captain
Fluffykins!

You won't be alone.
We got a two-for-one
discount deal.

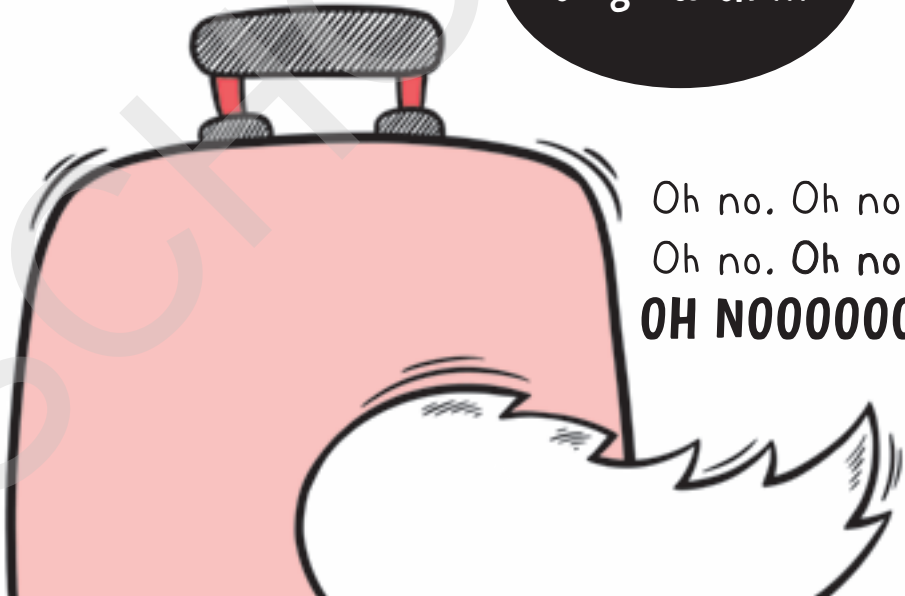
Dad couldn't
resist the
bargain.

So you get
to go with ...

Oh no. Oh no.

Oh no. Oh no.

OH NOOOOOO!



NICKERS!

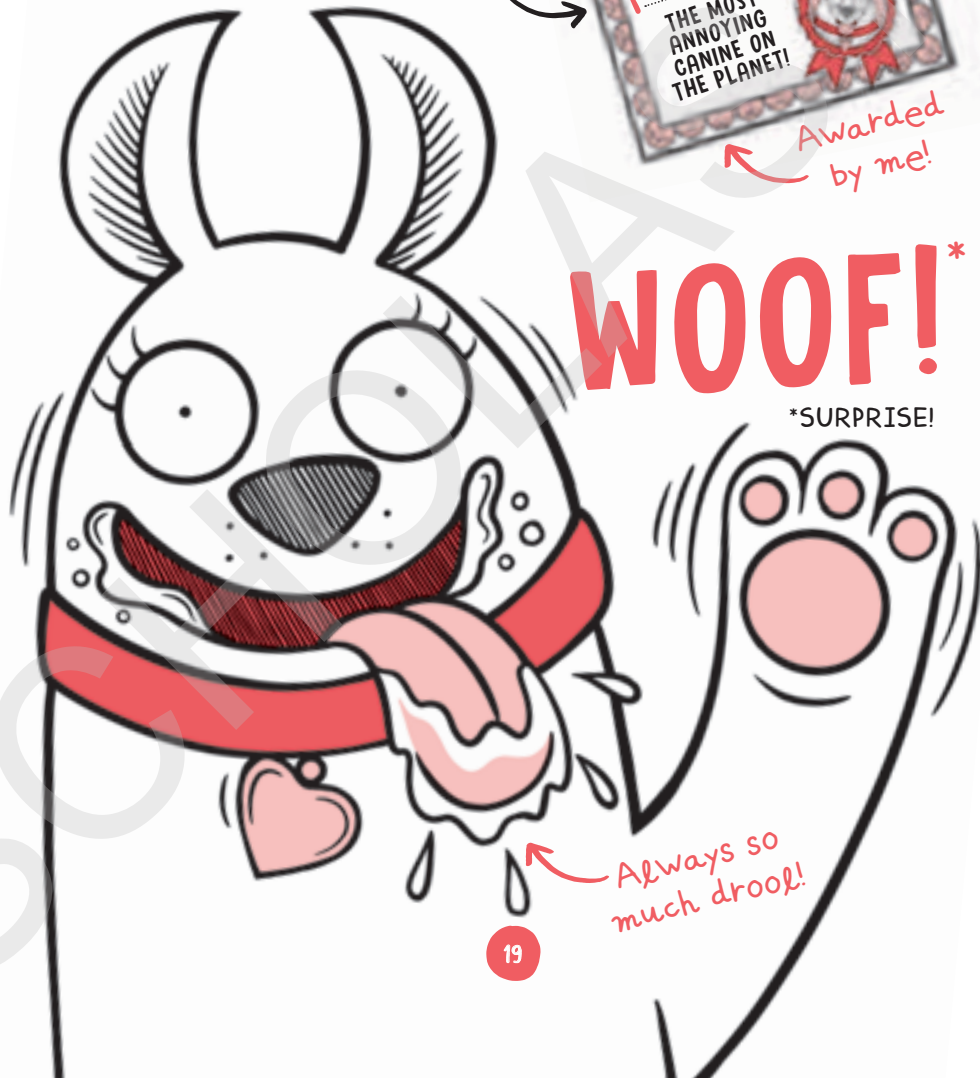
Officially the most annoying
canine on the planet!



Awarded
by me!

WOOF!*

*SURPRISE!



Always so
much drool!

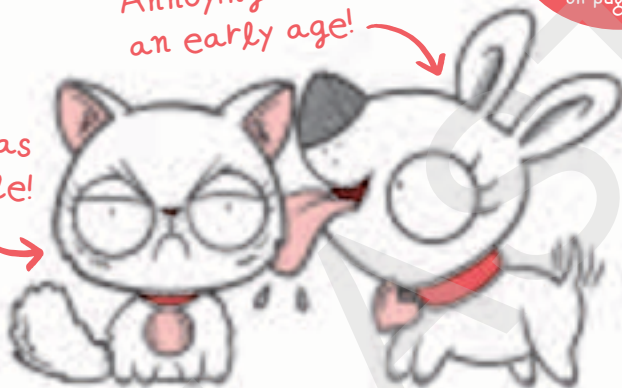
My arch enemy! My lifelong **NEMESIS**.[⚡]

Psst!
When you
see this symbol
after a word, you can
find its definition
on page 126.

FLASHBACK

Annoying from
an early age!

P.S. I was
adorable!



Named for her only talent (besides drooling).

STEALING! A common thief. A nicker of ...

EXHIBIT A



HOMEWORK

Such a
cliche![⚡]

EXHIBIT B



ACTUAL
KNICKERS!

EXHIBIT C



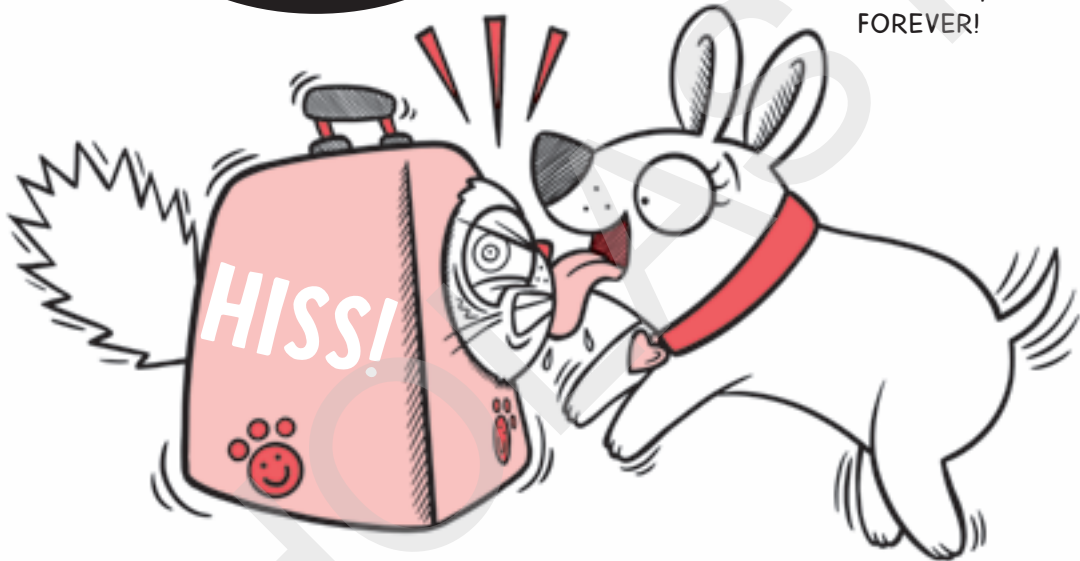
MY DINNER!!

Diabolical!![⚡]

You're going to
be roommates at
Obedience
School!!

WOOF!*

*Best Friends
FOREVER!



Absolutely **NOT!** I do not associate with
butt-sniffing thieves and there is **no way**,
under any circumstances, I am going in there.

Repeat: **I AM NOT GOING IN THERE!**



ANOTHER AWESOME
WORST PETS EVER!
ADVENTURE
COMING SOON!



WORST PETS EVER



REPORT CARD

Student: Captain Flurpykins

Day: 1

Obedience	H	Manners	H
Participation	U	Appetite	E
Attitude	H	Sleep	E

GRADING

E = Excellent

G = Good

S = Satisfactory

U = Unsatisfactory

H = HORRIBLE!

↖ Needed new category!!

Incidents: 37!! Bowel Movements: 0

Trainer Travis Comments:

Captain Fluffykins made a big impression in class today and had many interesting interactions with his new classmates. He showed great initiative. What a memorable first day!

Trainer Trina Comments:

Cat did some water activities today. I think he will probably be doing MORE water activities tomorrow. Cat still has a LOT to learn. Luckily I have a LOT to teach!
I'M KEEPING A CLOSE EYE ON HIM!!!

MAXIMUM SECURITY OBEDIENCE SCHOOL &
CORRECTIONAL ACADEMY for NAUGHTY CRITTERS

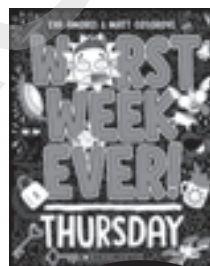
Owned by STEEL CORP.

Find out why **CAPTAIN FLUFFYKINS** ended up at Obedience School by reading the global-hit series ...

WORST WEEK EVER!

Have **YOU** ever had a **BAD WEEK**?

Justin Chase sure has, and **THIS** is it!



Collect them all!

Get out of MY book!



PET FACTS

WITH GABBIE



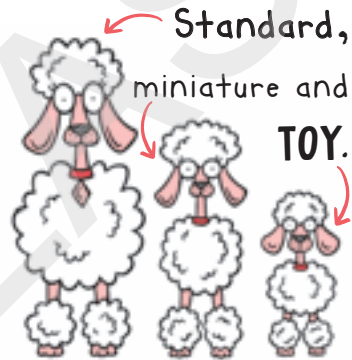
Guinea Pigs' TEETH

never stop growing so they need to keep chewing to wear them down.



POODLES come in

three distinct sizes:



Rabbits really do eat their own **P00!**

They produce two types of droppings.

1: hard pellets and 2: soft, nutrient-rich **cecotropes** which they re-eat to extract more nutrients from their food. **DO NOT TRY THIS AT HOME!**

Blergh!



The **Budgerigar**, or **BUDGIE**, is a small Australian **parrot** often able to copy human speech. A budgie, named Puck, holds the world record for the largest **vocabulary** of any bird. He knew **1,728 words!**



Cats share over **95%** of their genetic makeup with **TIGERS!**

Alpacas and **llamas** are cousins from the **CAMELID** family, but they have distinct **differences**. Alpacas are smaller and llamas are larger. One easy way to tell them apart though is to look at their **EARS**.

Alpacas have **SPEARS** for ears

Short
and
pointy

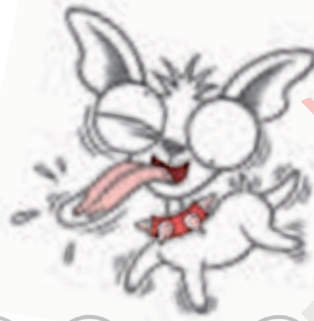


... while llamas have **BANANAS!**

Longer,
curved
shape



HOW TO DRAW: BRUTUS



YAP!
YAP!



STEP 1

Start with two circles for eyes.



STEP 2

Add a dot in each circle for the pupil.



STEP 3

Add three curved lines in one eyeball.



STEP 4

Draw a little triangle for the nose, a curved line for the mouth and then join them with a straight line.



STEP 5

Add in three dots on each side of the line for the muzzle.



STEP 6

Draw the bottom of the mouth and add a big swooshy blob shape poking out for his tongue.



STEP 7

Add in his pointy hair at the top with spikey lines and his chin at the bottom.



STEP 8

Draw big ears jutting out on each side above his eyes.



STEP 9

Add the final touches - like some shading, movement lines and drool!

Fill in the profile for **YOUR** pet.
It can be **real** or **imaginary**!

Draw their
picture here

PET PROFILE

Name:

Type:

e.g. Cat, Dog, Axolotl, Unicorn, etc.

Age:

Favourite Food:

Describe them in three words:

Cutest thing they've ever done:

WORST thing they've ever done:

Impress your friends and
INTIMIDATE your enemies with ...
CAPTAIN FLUFFYKINS'S
BIG WORDS
A.K.A. THE GLOSSARY



I'll show
you how to
use them!

- NEMESIS** A long-standing rival or enemy. 'Nickers is my unworthy nemesis!'
- CLICHÉ** Something unoriginal and overused. 'A dog eating homework is such a cliché!'
- DIABOLICAL** Outrageously wicked. 'The stench from Nickers's butt is diabolical!'
- APPALLING** Something causing dismay. 'The stench from Nickers's butt is appalling!'
- SCATHING** Severe, harmful remarks. 'Expect my scathing criticism on that stench!'
- DELUDED** Believing something not true. 'Nickers is deluded about our "friendship"!'
- PROLIFIC** Making large quantities. 'Nickers is a prolific drooler.'
- INDIGNITY** An insulting act causing shame. 'Sharing a toilet with dogs is an indignity!'
- GROVELLING** Begging for forgiveness or favour. 'Start grovelling, Nickers, you thief!'
- EXPLOIT** To use selfishly for your own benefit. 'I will exploit my good looks!'
- TYRANT** A cruel and unfair ruler. 'I will overthrow the terrible tyrant, Trainer Tina!'
- HALLUCINATE** Seeing something not there. 'Hunger made me hallucinate hotdogs!'

CRAFT CORNER

MAKE YOUR OWN PET ROCK

Please.
I need
some new
buddies!

STEP 1

Find the perfect rock!
You'll know it when you
see it! We recommend small
and smooth. Try looking
in the garden, beach,
park, bush or anywhere
with rocks!

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Rock
- Marker
- Imagination
- Googly eyes (optional)

STEP 2

Give your rock
a bath! They're
probably a bit dirty.
Dry them off.

STEP 3

Give them a face!
You only need a marker,
or you can get extra fancy
with some stick-on googly
eyes from the craft store.
Try different expressions
and personalities.

STEP 4

Choose a good name
for your pet rock, like
Mr Rockerfella, Pebbles,
Stoney McStoneface,
or whatever suits
them!

STEP 5

Pop your pet rock
in your pocket
and let the
adventures
begin!

PET ROCK PROS

- Cheap
- Portable
- Low maintenance
- Keeps secrets
- No poo pickup
- Non-judgemental
- Solid and dependable

PET ROCK CONS

- Bad at 'fetch'



MEET THE AUTHORS

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SHE WROTE THE WORDS **AND** TOLD MATT TO DRAW FASTER

- Loves **SHOES**
- Worked for the **ABC** & **SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE**
- Fave colour: **PURPLE**



MATT COSGROVE

HE WROTE THE OTHER WORDS **AND** DREW ALL THE PICTURES

- Loves **CHOCOLATE**
- Author/illustrator of **MACCA THE ALPACA**
- Fave colour: **BLUE**

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EVA & MATT met at university over thirty years ago and have been collaborating ever since. They currently live in Sydney, Australia with their two sons and no pets, but have had guinea pigs (Napoleon & Josephine), a rabbit (Stew), goldfish (including a Fishy Fishy!), an insect (Little Fella), dogs (too many to list), and done a LOT of cat-sitting over the years!

**IF THEY
COULD
BE ANY
ANIMAL ...**

EVA would be a **TROPICAL FISH**

- Beautiful colours
- Swim in warm water all day long



MATT would be a **KOALA**

- Cute & cuddly
- Sleep for up to twenty hours a day



What animal
would **YOU** be?