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SCOTTISH SPCA



Paws and Connect

ACTIVITY PACK

An activity pack for primary schools

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**Hi, i'm Gibson, and
this is mini Finn,
Finn and Dave!**



Gibson



Mini Finn



Finn



Dave

Welcome to our first ever Animal WISE **'Paws and Connect'** activity pack.

Hopefully you have already watched the video and heard about Finn and Dave's amazing story, have helped Finn and I solve a number of cases and learnt all about the important relationships between humans and animals. This pack continues that journey and we hope that the activities help you stop or 'paws', think and connect with those around you, animals and humans. You will also see mini Finn, who may appear in some of the activities that we share with you so keep a look out for him. As the Scottish SPCA's partnership with the Fabulous Finn team grows we will be releasing some more video blogs, setting up live-chat workshops with Finn and Dave and so much more so please keep checking our website!

Shall we get started?



How to use this pack

1. Work your way through the pages. We have made sure that if you are looking at this pack on the computer you can actually type your answers into some of the spaces.
2. Look out for me, mini Finn, as I have some animal trivia questions that I need answered to help big Finn and Gibson crack the code for Dave at the end.
3. If you are not sure what the answer is to my animal trivia questions, take a sneak peek on page 20 as I have left you some clues.
4. Once Dave's detective board is complete, take a photo of this page and share it with us along with any other photos from the activities you have taken part in by getting your teacher/parent/carer to email us: **education@scottishspca.org**. Don't forget to include your first name, initial of your second name, class, school and local authority. For example, Gibson S, P7, Finntastic P.S., Edinburgh.
5. Complete our challenge and we will send you a certificate along with a special message from Finn himself and Dave.



What do hedgehogs like to eat? A. Slugs B. Mice C. Ice Cream

Answer:



Curriculum links

We have made sure that our **Paws and Connect** booklet has lots of links to the Curriculum for Excellence so that you can impress your teachers with what you have learnt!

Health and wellbeing



Numeracy and mathematics



Expressive arts



Literacy and languages



Religious and moral education



Science



Social Studies



Technology



What shape are sheep's pupils? A. Circle B. Square C. Rectangle

Answer:



Human-animal emotions

Activity One

Gibson and Finn are both thoughtful and kind animals. Can you think of when you have been kind to a person or an animal and describe what you did, how it made you feel and how you think it made the animal or other person feel? Use the grid here to help you complete this task.

What I did...	It made me feel...	I think it made the animal or person feel...

Activity Two

How many words could you list in 30 seconds that describe feelings?

Have someone time you and then write or shout out all the words that you can think of.

How many did you get?

If everyone in the class does this task write down the number of words each person suggests and then calculate the average number of words someone can guess in 30 seconds. This would be your class average (i.e. there are 30 pupils in my class and on average we said 20 words that described feelings in 30 seconds).

How many times did someone say the same word? How many different words were said in total?



Elephants can smell water from how many miles away?

A. One B. Two C. Three

Answer:





Activity Three

In this 'Paws' and Connect activity pack we have Finn and Mini Finn. Mini Finn is a police dog in training and relies on Finn to teach him everything he knows. Finn is an important role model to him. Is there someone you look up to who gives you advice and supports you? Draw a picture of yourself with them and write words in clouds around the picture that describe why they are important to you and what you have learnt from them.





Activity Four

Write a short poem on your own or as part of a group that includes lots of words linked to feelings.

How many can you include in one poem? Here are some examples of words that describe feelings to help you:

angry; happy; sad; frustrated; excited; scared; inspired; ecstatic; brave; worried; jealous and grateful.

A large rectangular area outlined with a dotted orange border, intended for writing a poem.



Which animal makes the loudest sound of any living creature?

A. Lion B. Bear C. Sperm Whale

Answer:





Activity Five

The festival of Diwali is celebrated by many around the world.

Why do you think those celebrating this festival put up lots of lights? What does this mean and how does it make people feel?



Activity Six

Both humans and animals rely on their senses to help them navigate around the world.

If you couldn't hear or see or smell how would that make you feel? There are many people and animals who have lost their hearing, their sight or their sense of smell.

Choose one of these senses and take part in an activity where you have to rely on all your other senses except that one. For example, you could wear a blindfold meaning you can't see what is going on. You could wear ear plugs so you would struggle to hear everything around you or nose plugs (which is what some swimmers use) meaning you can't smell things as well.

Write in this space and tell us which sense you chose, the activity you did and how it made you feel.

The sense I chose was...	The activity I did was...	It made me feel...



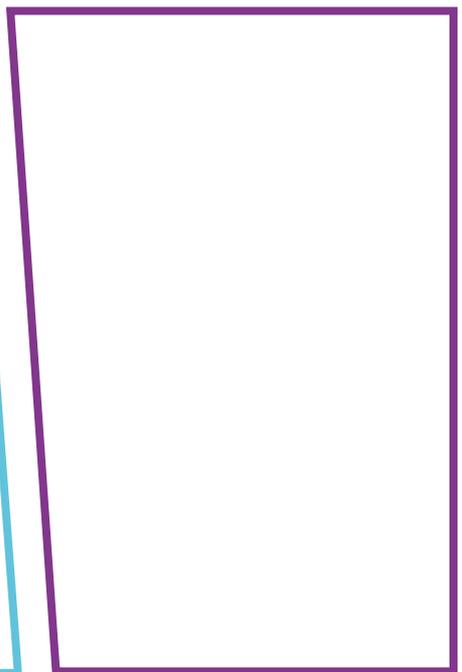
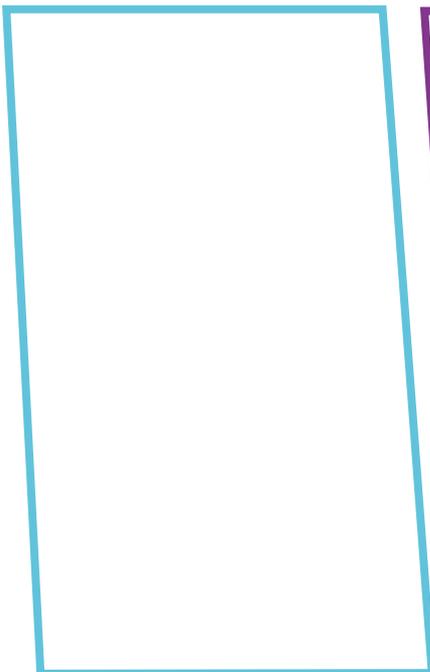
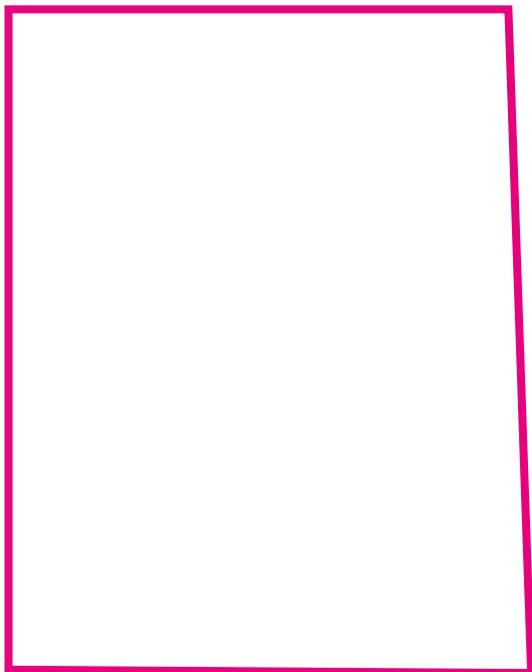


Activity Seven

Choose one of your school values and create a comic strip which shows how you have demonstrated that value.

Values could include *responsible; inspired; teamwork; integrity; respect; inclusive*









Activity Eight

You have heard about Dave and Finn's story together. Conduct some research (maybe using Google or the library computer catalogue) and see if you can find another brilliant story that shows the connection between a human and an animal. Share this story with others.

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An animal that comes out at night is referred to as being what?

A. Nocturnal B. Diurnal

Answer:

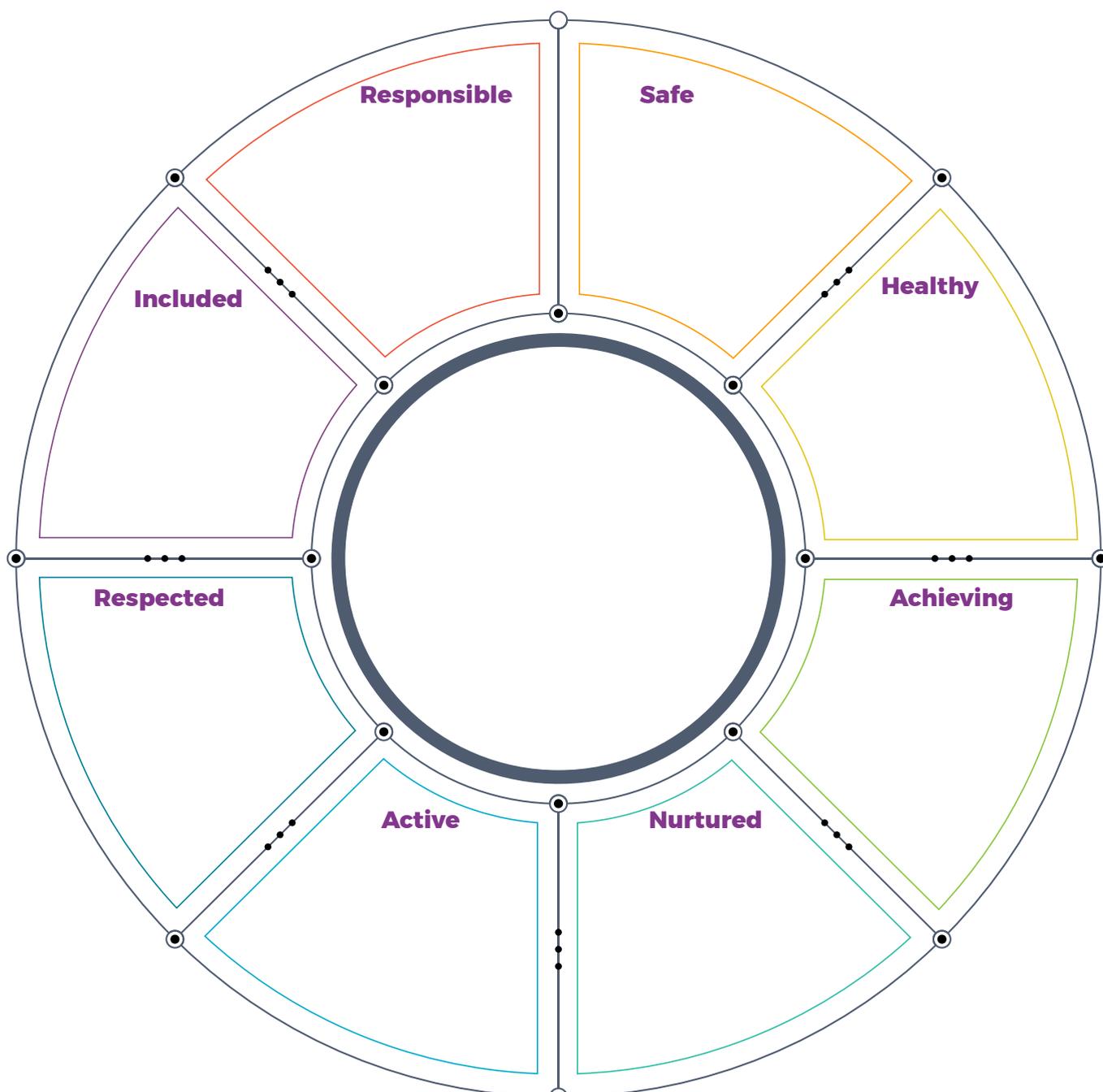


Human-animal needs

Activity One

You have probably heard lots about something called GIRFIC – Getting it right for every child. There are eight things on the GIRFIC wheel that every young person should feel. These are safe; healthy; achieving; nurtured; active; respected; responsible and included. Think of your pet if you have one, if you don't have one, think of an animal that you know or a pet that you would like to have.

Draw a picture or insert a photo of this animal into the middle of the wheel and then in each box write what you would do to help that animal feel the GIRFIC way.





Activity Three

Write a short song that helps inform others about what both humans and animals need to survive. Include actions to help people remember key words.

A large rectangular area defined by a dotted orange border, intended for writing a short song.



Which plant grows in the desert and can store water in its stem?

A. Palm trees B. Cactus C. Ferns

Answer:





Activity Four

There is something called the Five Domains of Animal Welfare. These relate to ensuring animals have good access to

- 1) Nutrition 2) Environment 3) Health 4) Behaviour 5) Mental Health

What does this actually mean? Choose an animal, learn about its needs and then complete this table to show how its needs can be met:

Animal:	How to meet need
Nutrition (think about food and water)	
Environment (think about shelter, temperature and if it lives in the wild or in a building)	
Health (think about how to protect it from disease and injury)	
Behaviour (think about what choices it has, are there opportunities for it to show its natural behaviour)	
Mental Health (think about how to ensure it is comfortable, doesn't get bored, is free from pain, feels happy)	



Activity Five

The connection between humans and animals can differ between cultures. In some cultures, certain animals are deemed sacred. Do some research and find an example of a sacred animal. What is the animal and why is it important in that culture?

Notes





Activity Six

Design an experiment that demonstrates 'cause and effect'. If you do something this will happen, if you don't do something this is what will happen. Think about what equipment you would need, what your prediction would be, what method you would use, what your results are and what your conclusion is.

Example: you are trying to grow a plant. What do you need to do that? What will happen if you don't do those things? How does this relate to looking after animals?

My experiment is...



In which habitat would you find squirrels, deer and woodpeckers?

A. Wetland B. Urban C. Woodland

Answer:





Activity Seven

You and your pet dog have been stranded on a tropical island with four others from your class. Each member of the group has been allowed to bring one item on to the island.

Which item would each of you bring? How would you use those items together to survive?



Activity Eight

Finn and Gibson are great examples of pets who live in a home that gives them everything they need to survive. We know that dogs are related to wolves and there are many packs of wolves that live in the wild today. How do they survive?

Create a world for a pack of wolves that provides them with everything they need to survive. You could create a model using lots of different textiles or you could create this world in Minecraft and then show your world to others in your class.



How many toes in total does a Guinea pig have?

A. 16 B. 12 C. 14

Answer:



Decisions, decisions...

Can you help mini Finn get to Gibson and Finn?

START  You have found an injured fox cub in the woods next to your school do you ask someone to phone the Scottish SPCA?

YES **NO**

YES You see some older pupils kicking a bird's nest with chicks in it, do you join in?

NO **ROAD CLOSED**

START AGAIN **YES** **NO** Take the secret path

You promised to walk your gran's dog straight after school but your friends want you to play football in the park with them, do you go and play?

You took the wrong road. Answer this bonus question to get back on the right path.

NO Your pet cat is not eating as usual, is sleeping a lot and doesn't like you touching it. Do you call a vet?

YES **NO** **RAIL CROSSING ROAD**

Dangerous cliff ahead, please go back

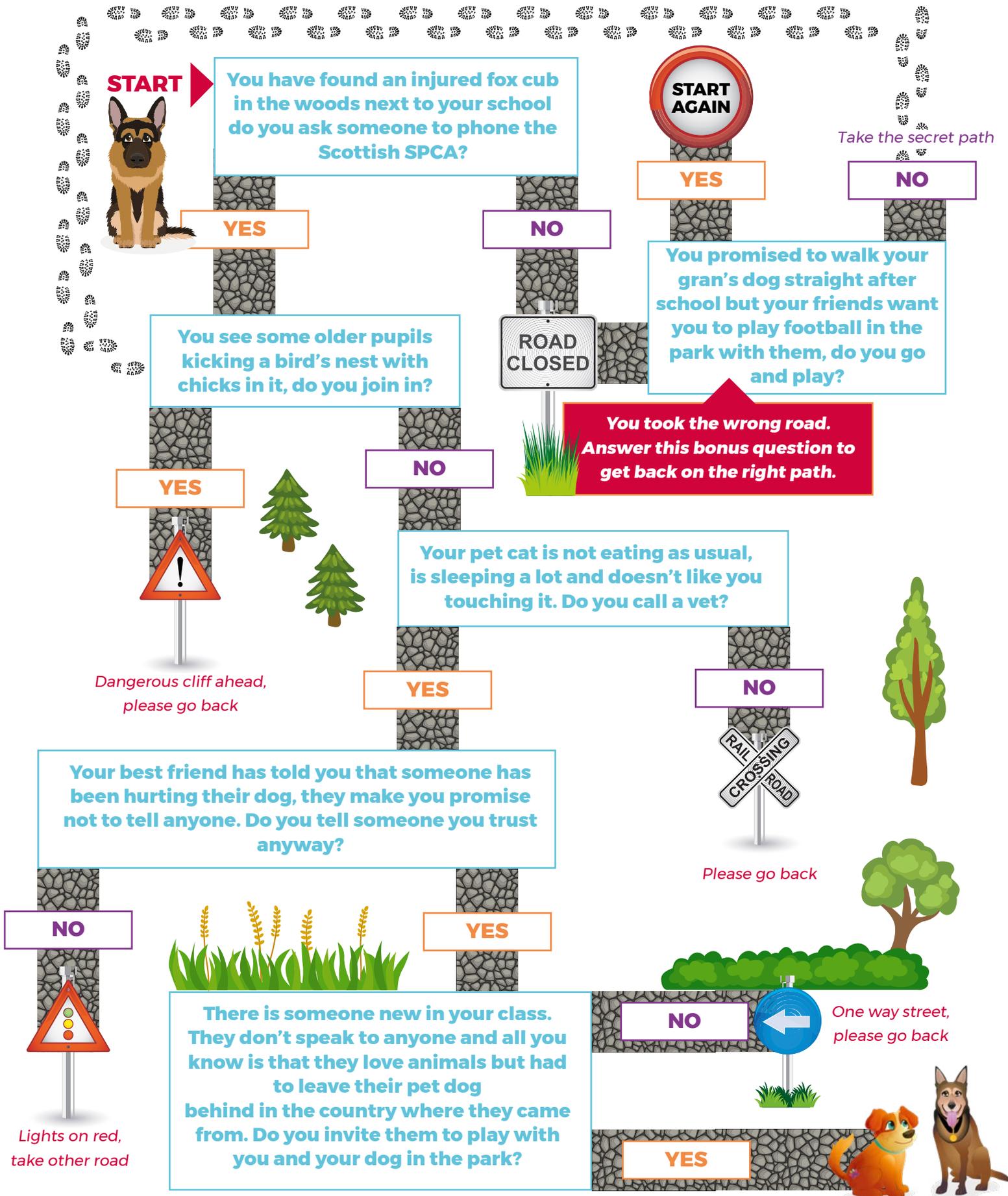
Your best friend has told you that someone has been hurting their dog, they make you promise not to tell anyone. Do you tell someone you trust anyway?

NO **YES** **PLEASE GO BACK**

Lights on red, take other road

There is someone new in your class. They don't speak to anyone and all you know is that they love animals but had to leave their pet dog behind in the country where they came from. Do you invite them to play with you and your dog in the park?

NO **YES** **ONE WAY STREET, PLEASE GO BACK**



Dave's detective board



Well done you have reached the end of the activity pack. Did you remember to spot mini-Finn throughout the pack and answer his questions? Record them here and lets see if you have cracked Dave's code.



Trivia	Clue	Answer A, B or C	No. of Letters in the Answer
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Total:



This is your secret code!



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