

## Resource 2

Look at the resource below, where some people share why they have their pet.

I bought two guinea pigs for my children because I wanted them to learn to be responsible. They have to feed them, clean them out, care for them and they have to use some of their pocket money to pay for their food and bedding. I think it has also taught them to be gentle and caring.

Simon

I live on my own and couldn't imagine being without my cat, Socks. She sits on my lap most evenings whilst I read or watch TV. She definitely stops me from feeling lonely.

Margaret

I have a dog because I love animals and I love exercise! My dog joins me on all my walks and runs and he makes sure I actually go!

Uri

Can you think of any other reasons why someone might have a pet?

I have an aquarium full of tropical fish. It looks beautiful in my lounge and is often the topic of conversation when I have visitors.

Calder

I keep hens in the garden. They are very friendly and I enjoy looking after them. I also get fresh eggs!

Gwen

