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The Secret Life of CENTRAL PETS

Students envision what pets may do when home alone

Have you ever wondered what your pet is up to when you leave them alone? Are they tearing up the furniture? Having an accident? Or maybe going on a little adventure? Students thought about what their animals did around the house when no one was home.

It would be normal for animals to miss their owners when they left, but some pets figured out a way to keep their owners close while they were out of the house. "My cat mostly sleeps and eats. Sometimes she snuggles with my clothes because they smell like me. I think it's because she misses me when I'm not there," said **Abby Leasure ('20)**.

While many pets just slept, ate and relaxed when left alone, others got into a little more trouble. "I think my cats wait for me to be home, but while they wait, they get on the table and drink the water out of the fishbowl. I think they miss me when I'm not home because they meow and look for me when I'm not there," said **Grace Nelson ('20)**.

Not only cats got into trouble, though; dogs liked to cause mischief, too. **Ethan Leasure ('22)** said, "I think my dog eats everything in the trash and then throws it up in my room on purpose. Then after that, I think he chews on my cat as if she is a chew toy. Finally, when I get home, he tries to act all innocent despite everything he has done." **Kayla Bitterman ('23)** had similar issues, saying, "My dog gets into the trash can, but other than that, she sleeps. Despite getting into the trash, I think my pet still misses me."

Some students came up with funny stories about what their pets did when out of their owners' sight. "Honestly, he probably has had a little dog girlfriend this whole time, but other than hanging out with his girlfriend all the time, he just sleeps," said **Lydia Wood ('23)**.

Whether their pets caused mischief around the house or slept the day away, students could not deny that they had their animals in their hearts even when they were apart. (M. Jones)

Whisper's ZOOTOPIA

"I have 11 pets total. I have dogs, cats, rabbits, mice and turtles. I have to clean the cages and feed and water all the animals. I also get to play with them. My favorite animal of them all is my dog Chico because he is the most playful and cuddly of them all."

-Whisper Cooper ('20)



Trine Stats!

Get to know Central's canine staff member

Occupation: Therapy Dog

"Trine helps support students and staff. She calms people down and brings a smile to every face she sees. She also gives students the opportunity to talk to someone without judgment." -Ann Frost, Trine's owner

Breed: Golden Retriever

Weight: 70 pounds

Age: 5 years old

Favorite Treat: Will settle for any type of treat

Favorite Toy: Stuffed fox and tennis balls

Free Time Activities: Lies around, likes attention, likes to get pet and, above all, loves walks



Cats vs. Dogs

60

68

WINNER!

40

"I like animals in general, and I think cats and dogs both have good traits and they make good pets." -Lesly Mayorga ('20)

"I like cats because they don't have a very energetic personality and neither do I, so I think we work well together because of that." -Sona Bedeyan ('21)

"I like dogs because they are more like humans. They care about you, they know when something is wrong and they act according to how you feel." -Sofia Terrell ('22)

20

14

18

Both

Cats

Dogs

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A yearbook student conducted this poll by interviewing 100 students during 4th block.