



LESSON PLAN

CAT CHATS

Series: Cat Breeds

Objective

To help students identify the main ideas in a book about a cat breed, present those ideas to peers who read different books, and discuss the similarities and differences.

Supplies

- Several books in the Cat Breeds series
- Cat Chats worksheet (attached)
- Pencils
- Whiteboard

Before the Activity

Print a copy of the Cat Chats worksheet for each student.

Activity

Have each student choose a book from the Cat Breeds series. Give each student a Cat Chats worksheet. Students should read the book and write down answers to Part I of the worksheet, making sure to use complete sentences.

Next, have students find partners who read a different book in the Cat Breeds series. Partners should take turns reading their responses to each other. As they listen to their partners, students should fill out Part II of the worksheet. Once again, they should make sure to use complete sentences when answering each question.

Finally, students should fill out Part III of the worksheet. Partners should work together to answer questions 1 and 2. But it's okay for each student to have a different answer to question 3.

After partners finish discussing and writing, choose one student for each cat breed to read their answers to Part I aloud to the class. Then invite a few volunteers to share their answer about which cat breed they'd prefer to own. If this answer has changed after hearing about more cat breeds, volunteers can talk about that, too.



Evaluation

Collect each student's worksheet at the end of class. Give each student up to 15 points:

- 1 point for including their name and cat breed
- 1 point for including their partner's name and cat breed
- 1 point for each of the 13 questions they answered



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Part I.

Your name: _____

Your cat breed: _____

1. What does the cat breed look like?

2. Where or how did this cat breed begin?

3. How does this cat breed act? Is it calm or active? Is it shy or friendly?

4. How much grooming and exercise does this cat need?



5. What other facts are important for owners to know about this breed?

Part II.

Partner's name: _____

Partner's cat breed: _____

1. What does the cat breed look like?

2. Where or how did this cat breed begin?

3. How does this cat breed act? Is it calm or active? Is it shy or friendly?



4. How much grooming and exercise does this cat need?

5. What other facts are important for owners to know about this breed?

Part III.

1. What is one thing the two cats breeds have in common?

2. What is one difference between the two cat breeds?

3. Which cat breed would you be more interested in owning? Why?
