

Cats and Dogs: The Similarities and Differences

There are several similarities that cats and dogs share, but at the same time they are very different. These two animals are two of the most popular pets today. Some people prefer the company of a cat, while others are considered dog lovers. Through the various aspects of each animal, we will look at the similarities and differences each one holds, and we can get a good insight as to why these animals are so loved.

First, we shall discuss the similarities that these two creatures share. One of the most obvious similarities between these two animals is that they both have hair. They are also domesticated animals kept as pets. They require love and affection from their owner, and can show love and affection if you show it towards them. Another thing is that when you pet them, not only does it relieve stress, it gets dog or cat hair everywhere. They both give birth to multiple offspring at one time, which must be very hard on the mother. Both animals are easy to love, and with the right affection they become like children to most.

Aside from the similarities, there are also various differences between the two animals. To begin with cats, who belong to the family of felines. Cats are loners, meaning they can spend a lot of time alone without getting lonely. They like spending time away from people. The sounds they make also differ from a dog. Typically, you will hear a “meow” or a “purr” from a cat. Cat’s do not have ranks that determine their social status. All cats are basically equal, one doesn’t dominate over another. Another difference is the signals cats give off. When a cat holds its tail up in the it shows a sign of happiness. Another difference is that cats are nocturnal, meaning they go out at night. They also have retractable claws, unlike dogs. Cats seem to be very well-balanced and a lot more flexible than dogs. Most would say that cats have a higher intelligence than dogs do.

Dogs, on the other hand, are canines. They are a pack of animals, which means you should spend lots of time with your dog so that it doesn’t get lonely. A dog goes woof, bark, growl, or howl, complete opposite of a cat. The canine group also has a particular social status, and how they determine their ranks. The determining factor in dogs is the tail. In dogs, how high they hold their tail is how they determine ranks. If one dog meets another dog, and one holds its tail up, it is the one of the higher social class. Dogs, however, are day animals. Another very obvious difference between dogs and cats is that dogs are usually bigger than cats. Dogs are also somewhat smarter than cats in the area of verbal command. For example, you can call your dog by name and usually it will come to you, unlike a cat. Also, you can train dogs to do tricks when commanded. Some of the most commonly seen tricks in dogs are roll over, fetch, shake hands, sit down, lay down, and play dead.

As one can tell there are various similarities and differences that dogs and cats hold to each other. This compare and contrast between the two animals can be perceived in different ways. Some may think more highly of cats due to their intelligence, while others will choose a dog any day because of their companionship. It primarily relies on the personality of the person.