Activity Sheet 2: Grades 3-8

All About Animal Shelters

The following words are associated with animal shelters. Find them in a dictionary or other resource book and on a separate piece of paper write a brief definition of each word. Next fill in the blanks below with the word from the list that

1. responsibility  2. vaccination  3. nonprofit  4. prevention  5. obedience
6. adoption  7. humane  8. awareness  9. municipal  10. behavior

A Some animal shelters are called _________________ societies and others have “SPCA” in their name. SPCA stands for Society for the _________________ of Cruelty to Animals.

B _________________ shelters are operated by local governments like a city or county.

C A _________________ animal shelter depends on contributions from individuals or corporations to do its job of helping animals.

D Animal shelters have many wonderful pets up for _________________. They match homeless pets with loving families.

E A veterinarian can help protect your pet from certain diseases by giving him a _________________.

F _________________ problems are one of the most common reasons people bring animals to shelters. The good news is that you can correct bad behaviors with training and patience and not have to give up your pet.

G Having a pet is a big _________________ for the entire family. Like everyone in the family they need food, water, a home, exercise and plenty of love.

H Some shelters offer classes for dogs like puppy kindergarten and _________________ training.

I You can help raise _________________ of homeless pets by inviting someone from your local animal shelter to come and speak to your class.