

**Daily Life - Getting A Pet** (C0240)

A: We have been over this a hundred times ! We are not getting a pet!

B: Why not? Come on! Just a cute little puppy. or a kitty!

A: Who is going to look after a dog or a cat?

B: I will! I'll feed it, bathe it and walk it every day! We can get a Labrador or a German Shepard !

A: What if we want to take a vacation ? Who will we leave it with? Plus, our apartment is too small for that breed of dog.

B: Ok. How about we get a cat or a ferret!

A: We're planning on having children soon, I don't think those animals are a good idea with a baby in the house.

B: Fine! Let's get a bird then! We can keep it in its cage and teach it to talk! A parrot would be awesome!

A: I'll tell you what, I can get you some hamsters and we'll take it from there .

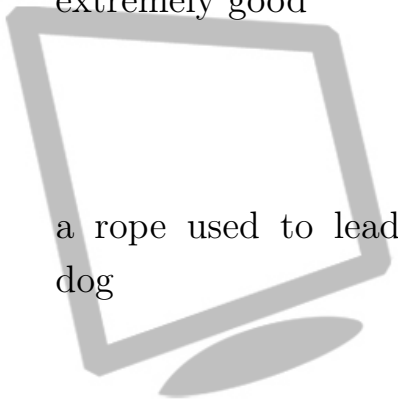
B: Yay!

### Key Vocabulary

|                    |          |                                       |
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| a hundred times    | <i>P</i> | many times                            |
| look after         | <i>P</i> | take care of; take responsibility for |
| bathe              | <i>V</i> | to wash                               |
| breed              | <i>N</i> | a particular kind of dog              |
| take it from there | <i>P</i> | to begin with                         |
| awesome            | <i>A</i> | extremely good                        |

### Supplementary Vocabulary

dog leash



a rope used to lead a dog

Veterinarian

a doctor who specializes  
in treating animals

kitty litter

a substance which cats  
use as the bathroom

bird cage

a enclosure for pet birds

collar

a pet accessory usually  
used to identify pets