



# Cat pack 3 – Right diet







# A cat's tale – The Tale of Liquorice Mick by Bob Mortimer

Listen to the story by scanning the QR code Or clicking the link: The Tale of Liquorice Mick



Can you illustrate Chips Whiffles?

How does the author describe Chips Whiffles?

Why did Chips Whiffles think he would make a nice pet?

Can you illustrate Lynx Silversmith?

How does the author describe Lynx Silversmith?

Why did Lynx Silversmith think she would make a nice pet?





Worksheet	
Can you illustrate Conny Blackwash?	How does the author describe Conny Blackwash?
Why did Conny Blackwash think he would make a ni	ce pet?
What did Liquorice Mick tell Rebecca about himself?	
How did the author describe Liquorice Mick?	Can you illustrate Liquorice Mick?
Could you paint a picture and write a description of your cat, or a cat you'd like to meet?	How did Rebecca feel when she met Liquorice Mick?





Maths challenge: How many hunting trips would an African wildcat need to go on each day to get enough calories?

#### Feline fact file!

Why do cats hunt even though they are given food by their owners?

### Cat hunting

To learn all about cat hunting from Simon's Cat scan the QR code or click here: <u>Does</u> <u>your cat bring you</u> "gifts"? - Simon's Cat





### Cat feeding time

To learn all about cat feeding time from *Simon's Cat*, scan the QR code or click here:

Things you didn't know about feeding time! - Simon's Cat





	Describe three ways in which cats are adapted for hunting:
<u>1.</u>	

2.			
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Why do cats get onto the worktop? How could we avoid this?

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### Cats and water

Do cats really hate water? Watch Simon's Cat by scanning the QR code or click here:

Do cats really hate water? - Simon's Cat





List three things to avoid from the video:

1.\_\_\_\_

3.

What should you do if your cat's feeding habits change?

Activity: Design a feeding enrichment toy

What things do we need to think about with our cat's bowls?

How c	an you	make f	eeding
fun?	Why do	we do	this?

What	is s	pecial	abou	t the
Turk	ish '	Van c	at bree	ed?

Why do	cats	like	running	water?
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## Clever cats - Cats through history

Our cat fact timeline has become muddled up. Can you match up our cat fact boxes and pictures to reveal the fascinating history of cats?

1	Cats are one of the most popular pets. There are over 11 million of them in homes across the UK! Although the African wildcat looks different to our pet cats, they share some of the same behaviours even today – from hunting and sleeping to the need to be alone.
2	It is the Middle Ages and cats are no longer sacred animals. Instead, they are associated with witchcraft and treated badly. Due to superstition and fear, those who own cats are considered witches and usually burned alive.
3	During prehistoric times, distant ancestors of the African wildcat roamed the savannah in search of food to eat.
4	As cruelty is still a problem, Cats Protection is created to help teach people about how to look after cats. They also begin to home unwanted cats, placing them in happy homes with new owners.
5	Domesticated cats are sold across the world in secret. Many cats live in India and across the whole of Asia.







6	Adventurers discover the Americas, and with it, a huge plague of rats! Cats are sent across on large ships to control the problem and become popular with the American people.
7	Some African wildcats evolve to become domesticated, living with humans quite happily. The ancient Egyptians believe that cats are lucky, especially as they keep the snakes away.
8	Cats become heroes, serving in the First World War. They have important jobs, like sniffing out poisonous gas on the battle field and controlling rats on war ships.
9	Ancient Rome, a powerful and important civilization, is now getting bigger. The Romans introduce cats to Europe. They think of them as sacred animals and let them wander freely around the city's holy temples.
10	In ancient Egypt, a time when pharaohs rule the land, the African wildcat enters towns looking for food. They find mice to hunt in the grain stores and for the first time, begin to live alongside humans.







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During Victorian times, cats become popular pets in Britain. Sadly, cats are still cruelly mistreated and abandoned and many live on the streets.



### **Activity:**

Either print these sheets and cut and stick the boxes in the right order or fill in our table below:

Picture	Box number
12 million years ago	
9000 - 4000 BC	
2000 BC	
1000 BC	
400 AD	
1400s	
1700s	
1800s	
1914 - 1918	
1927	
Today	





Now you have learned all about the history of cats, test your knowledge with our quiz below:

1.	How did many people view cats in the Middle Ages?
2.	Why did cats become popular in ancient Egypt?
3.	Why might guarding grain stores during the war have been 'work of national importance'?
4.	Give some reasons why there might be fewer ships' cats now.
5.	Give some reasons for why you think that cats moved from being just working animals to becoming favourite pets for many people.
6.	How did the Romans treat cats?
7.	How did cats reach Asia?
8.	When was Cats Protection set up?
9.	What jobs did cats do during the First World War?
10.	How many pet cats are there in the UK today?





#### Creative cats!

How to make homemade meaty cat food treats

To watch the Cats Protection video guide you can scan the QR code: Or click the link here: How to make homemade meaty cat food treats





### Materials you need

- A chopping board
- Cat food wet meat
- A knife
- Baking tray and baking paper
- An oven
- An adult (to help!)





### Method:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 175°C.
- 2. Tip out the cat food (wet meat) onto the chopping board.
- 3. Cut the food into bite-sized chunks.
- 4. Line the baking tray with baking paper.
- 5. Evenly space the bite-sized chunks onto the tray.
- 6. Bake in the oven for 30 minutes (or until crispy).
- 7. Allow the treats to cool, safely away from your cats!
- 8. Share the treats with your cats or place into a puzzle feeder.
- 9. Hint: Use treats occasionally and take from daily rations.





### **Creative cats!**

These jam-filled shortbread biscuits are for humans only!

To watch the Cats Protection video guide you can scan the QR code:
Or click the link here: Catty dodger biscuits

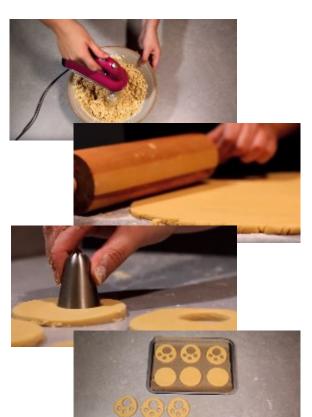


### Ingredients - biscuits

- 340g/12oz butter
- 170g/6oz caster sugar
- 510g/18oz plain flour

### Ingredients - filling

- 140g/5oz butter
- 340g/12oz icing sugar
- Jam of your choice





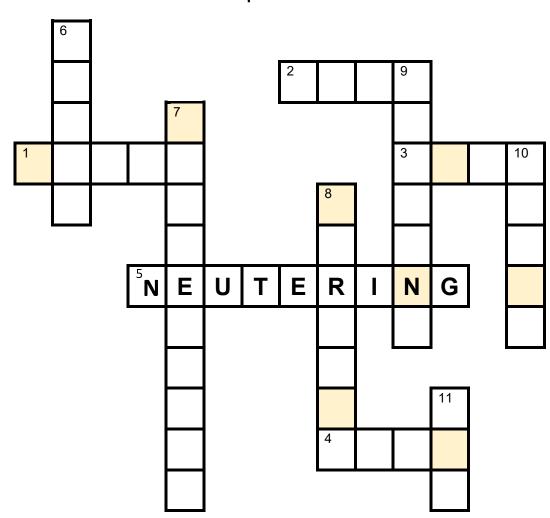
### Method:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 180°C.
- 2. Mix butter and sugar together in a bowl.
- 3. Add plain flour and mix until all ingredients are combined.
- 4. Bring the mixture together with your hands and form a ball.
- 5. Roll the mixture on a floured surface to about 1cm thickness. Then cut 12 large rounds using a circular cutter.
- 6. Using smaller cutters, cut pawprint shapes out of half of the rounds.
- 7. Place all rounds on a baking tray and cook in the oven for 12=14 minutes. Allow to cool.
- 8. Combine the butter and icing sugar. Spread or pipe onto half the rounds. Pipe or spread jam on top of the buttercream.
- 9. Finally, gently press the pawprint tops onto each of your jam and cream rounds. Enjoy!





### Competitive cats!



# Across Down

- 1. Cats need plenty of this to drink (5)
- 2. Drinking this can give cats an upset stomach (4)
- 3. Cats get bored too. What can we use to play with them? (4)
- 4. Every cat needs one of these to stay warm and dry and feel loved (4)
- 5. This operation stops cats from having unwanted kittens (9)

- 6. These tiny bugs bite cats and make them itch (5)
- 7. Cats \_\_\_\_\_. The name of a charity that helps cats (10)
- 8. Cats do this with their claws (7)
- 9. Female cats can give birth to 18 of these every year! (7)
- 10. A homeless or lost cat (5)
- 11. An animal doctor (3)

Rearrange the letters in the highlighted squares to find out what cats need to live happily at h	ome (3, 5)