

Looking after a hamster



If you are an animal lover, you may want to become the proud owner of a hamster. You mean get one from a pet shop or an animal shelter.

Choosing a hamster

A girl hamster can have a litter of pups when she is 10 weeks old. Your hamster must be at least 4-8 weeks old before it leaves its mother.

Remember! Choose a hamster with clean fur and bright eyes.

A home for your hamster

First, you will need a proper hamster cage - the bigger the better. Put a layer of peat on the floor, and scatter wood shavings or shredded paper on top.

When it is sleepy, your hamster will curl up in a corner and cover itself up.

Remember! Never keep hamsters together in the same cage - they will fight!

1) Name **two** places where you can get a hamster.

1. _____

2. _____

1) Tick (✓) the best answer.

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4 weeks old. _____

10 weeks old. _____

8 weeks old. _____

2) Finish the sentence.

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