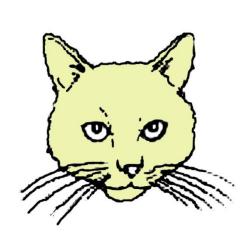
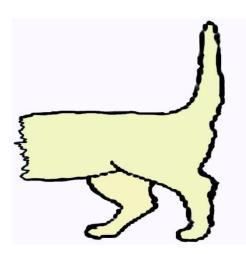
CAT TALK

Can cats talk? They can meow! But cats can also talk with their eyes, ears and tails. If you stop and look at each of these features when you are near a cat you will often be able to tell how a cat is feeling or what it is thinking.

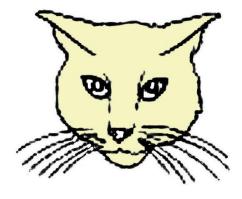
HAPPY AND FRIENDLY

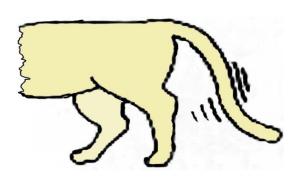




When the pupils in the cat's eyes are normal size and its ears are up, slightly tilting outward and forward the cat is relaxed and happy. When the cat is walking or standing the cat's tail will normally be up and relaxed when it is happy.

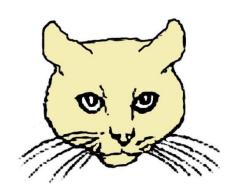
BOTHERED OR ANNOYED

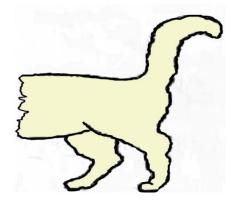




When a cat's pupils are bigger and its ears are flatter and turned outward and back the cat is telling you it is bothered by something. Also the cat's tail will be lower and often times it will be twitching from side to side. This is a warning sign that the cat is not happy about something.

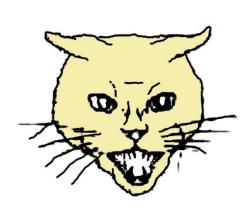
DISTURBED AND FEARFUL

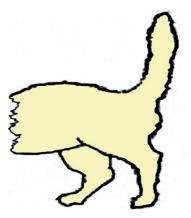




A cat will tell you when it is feeling disturbed or if it is fearful. The pupils of their eyes will be very large. Their ears will be back and tilted backwards. If you can see the cat's tail it will be up, curved and puffed out. The tail will often appear to be twice the size of its normal tail when the hairs on its tail are puffed out. These are warning signs from the cat telling you not to bother it.

MAD AND FEARFUL



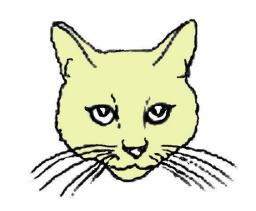


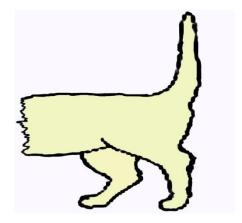
When a cat is mad and fearful it will tell you this in several ways. Its pupils will be very large and its ears will be lying flat on its head. It may show you its teeth and hiss, snarl or meow loudly at you. If you can see its tail it will normally be straight up and puffed out to appear bigger. When a cat is showing these signs it is telling you to stay away as it is mad and fearful.

CAT TALK QUIZ

We have learned that cats can't only talk by meowing but they can tell us how they are feeling by looking at their eyes ears and tails.

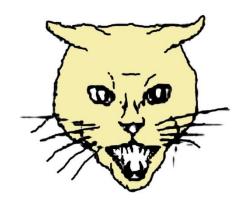
Look at the pictures below and then pick a description from the list on the last page that matches each set of pictures.

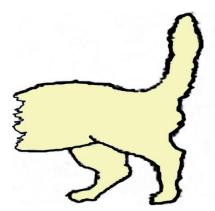




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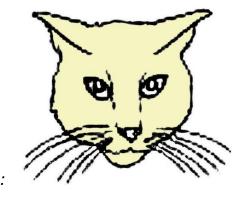


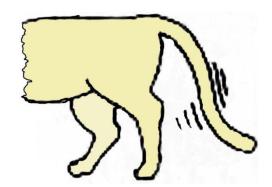


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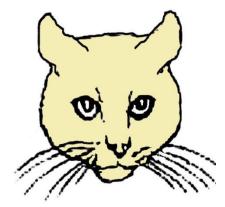
CAT TALK QUIZ

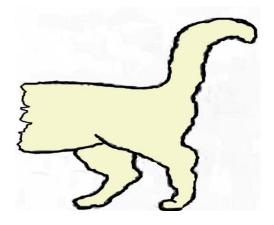




Set 3:

Description:





Set 4:

Description:

Choices: 1. Happy and friendly

2. Bothered and annoyed

3. Disturbed and fearful

4. Mad and fearful

QUIZ ANSWERS:

- 1. HAPPY AND FRIENDLY
- 2. MAD AND FEARFUL
- 3. BOTHERED AND ANNOYED
- 4. DISTURBED AND FEARFUL

