**Card №6** You are going to give a talk about **pets.** You will have to start in   
1.5 minutes and speak for not more than 2 minutes (7 - 12 sentences).

**Remember to say:**

·         why people keep pets

·         what pets are most popular in big cities

·         if having pets is hard work

1. Introduction

A **pet** is an **animal** kept for a person's company, protection and pleasure. Pets are part of our everyday lives and part of our families. They provide us with companionship but also with emotional support, reduce our stress levels. Young children are particularly fond of having their own pet.

1. Main body.
2. **As I see it,/ As I understand it**, people keep pets for many different reasons.

**For one thing,/Firstly**, pet owners …………………………………………………………

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**For another thing,/Moreover**, cuddling a pet ………………………………………………

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**Finally,** children who grow up in homes with pets …………………………………………..

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1. People who live in big cities may choose from a big number of pets.

Dogs are well-loved by most animal lovers because they are …………………………………

Cats come second in popularity. They are loved by ………………………………………..…

Goldfish may be a good choice for those who …………………………………………………

……………………………………………. make excellent pets because …………………….

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However, you must be very careful before adopting a pet because …………………………...

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1. Remember, though, pet ownership is also serious business. Pets are living creatures that require regular care and attention. If you keep a pet, you will need to ……………………….

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1. **Conclusion**

In conclusion, / To sum up, I would like to say that keeping pets has been practiced from prehistoric times to the present. It is …………………… experience and ……………………….

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**Recommended vocabulary:**

* feed and care for a pet
* require a lot of patience, time and effort
* encourage childhood responsibility
* reduce stress and loneliness
* playful, intelligent, reliable,
* likable, soft, fluffy, busy with themselves
* good/ excellent kid-friendly pets
* dogs, cats, goldfish, parrots, tortoises, rabbits, hamsters, guinea pigs, rats …
* be allergic to …
* require daily exercise/ walks, visits to the vet, plenty of love