

IT IS IN OUR POWER TO HELP



**LOOK AT THE PICTURES
AND DESCRIBE THEM**

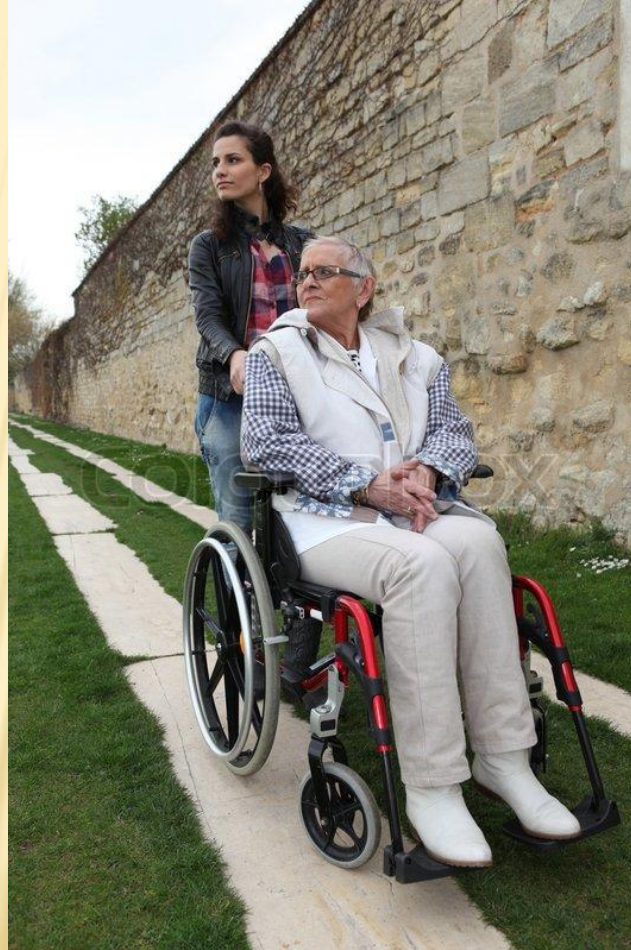
THERE ARE PEOPLE HELPING OUT AT AN ANIMAL SHELTER



THERE IS A MAN VISITING SENIOR CITIZENS



THERE IS A WOMAN HELPING A DISABLED SENIOR CITIZEN



THERE ARE PEOPLE PLANTING TREES



THERE ARE PEOPLE HELPING TO CLEAN UP A POND



THERE IS A PERSON WORKING WITH CHILDREN



CHOOSE THE
BEST HEADING
FOR THE TEXT :



1. The cruelty of people
 2. The puppies found a home
 3. The boy created a shelter
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Many people pass by sick animals and only a few will stop to give at least some help. This story is about a Filipino boy named Ken. Ken`s dad noticed his son walk every day in the same direction. He was curious and he decided to follow the son. Daddy was surprised to see Ken feeding three very sick puppies. Dad decided to save the poor puppies lives. They built them a temporary home inside their garage. Puppies were seriously ill. After the rescue of these three poor fellows, their decision to help the animals grew into something more.

READ THE TITLE OF THE TEXT, THEN
READ THE FIRST AND THE LAST
SENTENCE IN EACH PARAGRAPH.

What is the text about?



LENDING A HELPING HAND

Most teens hang out with their friends or watch TV after school, but fifteen-year-old Richard Evans is different. He helps out at a local animal shelter.

1 "I started working at the animal shelter after school a year ago. Some people came to my school to give a talk about ways teens can help out in the community. I liked the idea of getting involved with something **worthwhile**, and as I've always loved animals the shelter seemed the **natural** choice for me.

2 Basically, I help out for **a couple of** hours about twice a week, more in the holidays. Sometimes I help the staff members feed and clean and exercise the animals. Other times, I answer phone calls or help members of the public to choose a pet. Last year during the summer holidays, I also spoke to some groups of children about looking after pets **properly** and the importance of showing kindness to animals. I especially enjoyed that!

3 When most people think of animal shelters, they think of cats and dogs. Well, there are plenty of both at our shelter, but there are sometimes farm animals there, too, such as horses, sheep, goats, chickens, ducks and once, even a llama who we named Jack! Most of the animals are either brought to the shelter by their owners because they can no longer take care of them, or they are **removed** from their homes because they are not being looked after properly. Once I went with a member of staff to rescue a pony from a farm where it had been extremely **neglected**. I found it hard not to burst into tears when I first saw the pony, but I was pleased to report that he made a full recovery at the shelter.

4 Some of the animals need more care than usual, so a **foster home** is found for them. I have taken home two little kittens before, as well as an injured guinea pig and a puppy that had been found **abandoned** in a rubbish bin. Sometimes my mum jokes that our house is more like a zoo than a home!

5 Summer is the busiest time for shelters, with many people simply abandoning their pets when they go on holiday. So why not ask to volunteer at your local shelter this summer? Or you could do something else, such as going to a charity event, or volunteering to visit a senior citizen for a few hours a week. I've learnt a lot about myself and others through volunteering and I've met a lot of interesting people, too!"

READ THE TEXT AGAIN AND MATCH THE HEADINGS TO THE PARAGRAPHS. THERE IS ONE THAT YOU DO NOT NEED TO USE.

A Special Needs

D All Shapes and Sizes

B Summers Only

E Odd Jobs

C Reasons Why

F It All Helps

HOMEWORK

Imagine you have just started doing some volunteer work after school. Write an email to your English pen friend persuading him/her to do some volunteer work too.

Say: what kind of volunteering you are doing, when and how often, what kind of jobs you do, why you think your friend should join you (60-80 words).

THANK YOU FOR THE LESSON

