

Want to send a special message to your feline friend? Try blinking!

A recent study from the Universities of Sussex and Portsmouth has shown that people can communicate positive emotions to cats through a technique called the 'slow blink'.

This was the first study to examine slow blinking between humans and cats and found that cats were more likely to approach the hand of a person who slow blinked at them first.

Many cat-lovers will be familar with the halfclosed eyes of a very content kitty. It can almost look like they are smiling or as if they are about to fall asleep. If you copy this expression then slowly close your eyes - this is a slow blink.

The slow blink has been compared to saying 'I love you' in cat language.

Next time you are cuddling up with your cat at home, or when you meet a cat in the street, try it out for yourself:

First try narrowing your eyes at them as if you have a relaxed smile on your face then close your eyes for a couple of seconds.

You'll find that the cat will respond in the same way and give you a slow blink in return.

What a great way start a conversation and show your cat how much you care!







Meow-ssages from junior cat-lovers



We are always thrilled to hear from our young fans! If you have a story you'd like to share send us an email at info@catprotection.org.au

Hi Cat Protection Society,

Three years ago I googled "cat animal shelters" hoping to find a suitable one for me. When the results came up, I saw...

CAT PROTECTION!

So I went onto your website and saw a range of cats.
All different breeds, sizes and fur! The first cat I
ever fell in love with was a cat called Martha, who was a
gorgeous grey tabby.

In 2020 I went onto your website again during lockdown and I found a sweet little kitty called Tigs, then I went onto your

website a few days later and...

DUN DUN DUN! Tigs was adopted!

But I didn't cry. Instead I found Petal and loved her too... until I found out she was a little bit edgy. I visited during the Term 1-2 holidays and then fell in love with Pumpkin.

Of all the cats that I have loved and met, my personal favourite of all was a very special little kitty. Her name is Gillian and I fell in love

with her right away.

Gilly looks adorable and I wish I could adopt her. I have also found her full name: Gillian Gallagher from the book "The Spies That Bind". The Gillian in the book is a spy and she also matches Gillian (the cat) very well because both are quiet.

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All cats that I have met at CPS have made me wish that all animals are loved and finally have a home. I can't

wait until I get to visit you again.



Best of luck
Gilly and the
rest of the cats
and staff at Cat
Protection!

XOXO Myhra (Age 9)

Gillian

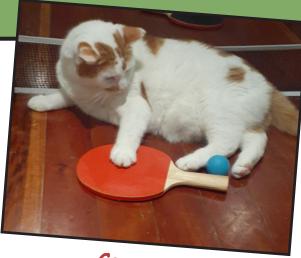
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Hi Cat Protection Society

We adopted Coconut in 2016 and ever since then we have lived with the company of a loving cat. I remember walking through the rooms of the Cat Protection Society in Newtown with all the cats and watching my older sister choose which one she wanted to take home. Coconut was the name that was given to him when he was found and my sister decided to keep it. Coconut adapted quickly to his new home, and over the last four years, he has been the king of our household. We love him with all our hearts, and hope he does too. Thank you for all your hard work,

Stephanie (Age 11)





Coconut



Smoky & Shadow

To the Cat Protection Society.

We got our cats from you last year. They are so cute! We called them Smoky and Shadow. The black one is Shadow and the grey one is Smoky. They always come up into my room and jump up on me. Sometimes it is annoying but also so cute. I want to thank you for letting us have the Cats.

If you didn't already know Smoky loves people patting him under the chin. And Shadow loves it behind her ear. From Olive (Age 10)



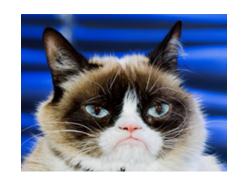
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Special FAMOUS CATS QUIZ

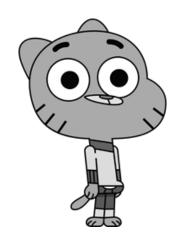
- WHO IS THIS POPULAR SOUR PUSS?
 - (A) CRANKY PANTS
 - (B) GRUMPY CAT
 - (C) SAD DOG





WHAT DOES GARFIELD LOVE TO EAT?

- (A) CAT TREATS
- (B) TACOS
- (C) LASAGNE
- WHAT COLOUR IS GUMBALL FROM THE AMAZING WORLD OF GUMBALL?
 - (A) **ORANGE**
 - (B) PINK
 - (C) BLUE



WHICH FILM FEATURED THE TRICKY CHESIRE CAT?

(A) ALICE IN WONDERLAND

- (B) THE LION KING
- (C) THE ARISTOCATS
- 5 FINISH THE NAME OF THIS ROSY FELINE THE PINK _____
 - (A) PANTHER
 - (B) TIGER
 - (C) DINGO

Answers: 1. (b) 2. (c) 3. (c) 4. (a) 5. (a)

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