| TOPIC: PETS | SUBTOPICS: GRAMMAR, DISCUSSION |  |  |
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Would is an auxiliary verb. That means it is placed next to another word to change the meaning or the tense. In the text would is used to talk about the past.

The basic structure for would is:


1. In the text, circle all the times 'would' was used
2. Fill in the blanks with the correct word in the past tense

When my mother (is) $\qquad$ a girl, she and her family (own) $\qquad$ a pet store. She would play with the animals every day. Before school, she would feed the dogs and cats. She would pet the rabbits because they (are) $\qquad$ so fluffy and cute. She would watch the hamsters play in their hamster wheel. Sometimes the frogs and turtles would escape. They would jump and crawl along the floor. My mother would have to catch them and put them back in their tanks. She would make sure the fish, birds and mice had food before she would run to school. At school, would think of all the animals in the pet store and would draw pictures of them. One day at the pet store there was a tall man named Larry, who (buy) $\qquad$ lots of things. His children (have) $\qquad$ always (want) $\qquad$ pets, so he (has) $\qquad$ decided to surprise them. Larry (purchase)____ a puppy and a dog house, a cage with a parrot, and an aquarium full of goldfish. My mother (is) $\qquad$ sad seeing her friends leave, but she (is) $\qquad$ happy they (get) $\qquad$ a lovely new home.

## Discussion

Have you ever owned a pet? What was it? Tell about it.
What do you think would be the hardest part of owning a pet?
What would be the best part about owning a pet?
Would you like to work in a pet store? Why?
Are there any pets you would never want to own? Why?

