

## TRIVIA ABOUT CATS:

- The penalty for killing a cat, 4,000 years ago in Egypt, was death.
- 95% of cat guardians admit they talk to their cats.
- A cat can be either right-pawed or left-pawed.
- A cat can jump as much as seven times its height.
- A cat cannot see directly under its nose. This is why the cat cannot seem to find tidbits on the floor.
- A cat has 230 bones in its body. A human only has 206 bones.
- A cat has four rows of whiskers.
- A cat in a hurry can sprint at about thirty-one miles per hour.
- A cat sees about six times better than a human at night because of the tapetum lucidum , a layer of extra reflecting cells which absorb light.
- A cat uses its whiskers to determine if a space is too small to squeeze through. The whiskers act as feelers or antennae, helping the animal to judge the precise width of any passage.
- A cat will almost never meow at another cat. Cats use this sound for humans.
- A cat will never break a sweat because it has no sweat glands.



- A cat will spend nearly 30% of its life grooming itself.
- A cat's arching back is part of a complex body language system, usually associated with feeling threatened. The arch is able to get so high because the cat's spine contains nearly 60 vertebrae which fit loosely together. Humans have only 34 vertebrae.
- A cat's brain is more similar to a human's brain than that of a dog.
- A cat's ear pivots 180 degrees.
- A cat's heart beats at 110 to 140 beats per minute, twice as fast as a human heart.
- A cat's jaws cannot move sideways.
- A cat's normal body temperature is 101.5 degrees F (38.6 C).
- A cat's sense of taste is keener than a dog's sense of taste.
- A cat's tail held high means happiness. A twitching tail is a warning sign, and a tail tucked in close to the body is a sure sign of insecurity.

