

# PLEASE, PICK MY PET

## Objective

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Students will be able to write a persuasive letter, using correct letter format and giving at least three reasons to choose their pet.

## Materials Needed

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- Letter written by teacher persuading students to do their best work. Be sure to give three reasons
- Enlarged version of letter or means to show it on a screen
- *Peculiar Pets* by Teresa Domnauer (ISBN # 0769643345) or similar book

## Directions

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1. Read a letter you have written to the class persuading them to do their best work.
2. Read *Peculiar Pets* or a similar book. Discuss their pets and unusual pets they have seen.
3. Ask students what animal they would choose for a classroom pet. Then tell them they are going to write to the teacher persuading him/her to pick their animal as the classroom pet.
4. Post an enlarged version of your letter or show it on a screen. Review the format of a letter. Explain that you gave three reasons why they should do their best work. Underline the three reasons.
5. Have students write three reasons why their animal should be chosen. Then have them write their letters.

