



## Pets Transcript

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwttTKYtlxg>

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Hello everyone, it's Hannah here from Virtually Fluent. Today I've brought along my two pet rabbits. This is Thunder and just down here is little Autumn. Today we are going to be talking about pets in English.

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Pets are a really important part of the household in the UK. In fact, around 44% of households have some form of pet. I, myself, have had many pets throughout my life - cats, dogs, hamsters, and currently, as you can see, two rather crazy little rabbits.

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Now most household pets obviously need lots of love, care and attention. Our two little rabbits, they love their cuddles and their kisses. Thunder, in particular, this grey rabbit, he loves his cuddles and his kisses. Right now, he's very very happy. He likes being stroked from the nose up to the ears.

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Now, as well as love and attention, rabbits need lots of general care. Obviously we have to feed them so they get fed solid food pellets twice a day and these are in their little ceramic food bowl. And lots of fresh salad, rabbits love fresh salad too, so they have all of that food. Of course, fresh water.

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Now exercise is also really important for rabbits and for many animals. So they normally run around in the garden outside. We have lots of walls, fences, plant pots that they can jump up and down on and they've recently learnt how to jump up and down the stairs so they have fun with exercise there too.

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Now, rabbits are generally quite clean animals. So they always clean their paws, you'll see them licking their paws and the rest of their body. They're generally very clean. Of course, we need to keep their area clean for them. Now our rabbits are normally outside in a rabbit hutch but we've just brought them in today to do this video because it's a little bit dark and windy and cold outside. It's winter here in the UK. So, instead, they are in with us so we've set up this pen for them today.

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And they also have a litter tray in their pen or outside in their rabbit hutch. This will have bedding on it and also some hay. Rabbits love their hay! Most other indoor animals will have some form of litter tray as well. Cats have litter trays, hamsters, guinea pigs. So we keep the rabbits nice and clean. Obviously we have to clean the litter trays every now and again and they are beautiful!

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So we also have to groom our rabbits. Most animals (pets) need grooming. In our case, they're generally quite clean animals, rabbits. They can wash themselves so we don't need to bath them or wash them. Just sometimes when they're outside and they've been digging in the wet mud then sometimes we just rinse off their paws but they're generally very clean animals.

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They do moult like crazy. To moult is when the hair comes out of an animal. This could be with a dog, with a cat and in our case with a rabbit and that means we need to brush them to keep their hair nice and soft and, of course, we need to clip their nails so they don't get too long. We need to give them all the right foods so that we don't have to do anything to their teeth. They need to stay nice and short but they generally look after themselves.

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And, of course, they go to the vets regularly for their vaccinations and their general health check-ups but they're absolutely gorgeous animals to have and I love them to pieces, they're like my little babies.

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So hopefully you've learnt some vocabulary to talk about pets in English with the help of Autumn and Thunder. We do have an entire course on my website, which is called PETS to use this vocabulary, to practise it in forums, self-study activities. You can find the link to this course in the description below.

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