

Jack: Guess what?

Peter: What?

Jack: I've got a cat.

Peter: A cat? Are you crazy? Why didn't you get a dog?

Dogs are much better than cats.

Jack: Why do you say that?

Peter: Well, first of all, dogs are cleverer and friendlier than cats, and they are very helpful to people.

Jack: Really?

Peter: Yeah. Have you ever seen a cat helping a disabled person crossing a street?

Jack: No, I haven't.

Peter: See? That's it. Cats don't help people, but dogs do.

Paul: I disagree. Dogs sometimes attack people.

I've read many newspaper articles that people were bitten by dogs. You know the ancestors of dogs are wolves, which are very dangerous.

Peter: Come on! Cats are family of lions and tigers.

They eat people. Have you ever heard a story that a lion ate a visitor at a zoo?

Paul: That's outrageous. Cats have been kept by people for more than 5,000 years, since the Ancient Egyptian era.

Peter: You know nothing! Dogs have been friends with us for more than 20,000 years. Dogs and our grandpa's grandpa's grandpa's grandpa went hunting together. Do cats do any good to us people?

Paul: Of course they do. They eat rats and rabbits who steal grain from farmers. Thanks to the cat, our houses are pest free.

Jack: OK, that's enough. I might ask my dad for a dog too. By the way, do dogs pull themselves when you hold their tail, Peter?