

## *Should Pets be Allowed in Public Housing Estates*

Good morning Principal, Vice-Principals, teachers and fellow schoolmates.

The topic of my sharing today is 'Should pets be allowed in public housing estates'. Nowadays, pets such as dogs and cats have become our companions. Among them, dogs are called men's best friend. However, the Housing Authorities are trying to break the relationship between men and dogs. They recently announced that they have banned dogs from public housing and Home Ownership Scheme flats for being a potential health risk and nuisance. Yet, I hold a different opinion from the government.

Most importantly, pets are as friendly as our neighbors and even family members. They are just like human. They may feel happy, sad, jealous frightened, etc. They also have the right to live. You will not ban human from public housing so there are no reasons you should ban dogs. Besides, people can benefit from keeping pets, especially dogs. First, trained dogs can help the blind to find their direction, keep houses from thieves and they can be companions for the people who live alone.

Despite having a potential health risk and nuisance, this problem can be solved by education. The cause of the problem mentioned above is that people do not know how to keep their pets well. To cope with the case, residents wanting to have pets should hand in an application form and attend training courses about training their pets not to do anything wrong.

In conclusion, I do think that pets should be allowed in public housing estates.

That's the end of my sharing. Thank you.