

Rosa's Animal Adventure in Spain

Learning objective: To develop reading comprehension skills in Spanish by identifying animal vocabulary and understanding simple descriptive sentences.

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions in full sentences. Use the word bank to help you understand the Spanish vocabulary.

¡Hola! My name is Rosa, the bilingual parrot. Today, we are exploring the sunny countryside of Spain. Look at the animals I have found! Under the bright orange tree sits a dog called Bruno. Bruno is very big and loves to run. Nearby, a small cat named Luna sleeps on a stone wall. Luna is very quiet and looks very pretty in the sun. High above us, a blue bird flies across the clear sky. It is very fast and sings a beautiful song. In Spain, we love our animal friends. Many families have a dog or a cat at home. It is important to look after all animals, whether they are big or small. Scientists study these creatures to understand how they live in their natural habitats. I hope you enjoy learning these new Spanish words as much as I enjoy flying over the beautiful Spanish hills. Remember to practice saying the names out loud!

Word bank: el perro - the dog · el gato - the cat · el pájaro - the bird · grande - big · pequeño - small · rápido - fast · bonito - pretty · vive - lives · en - in

1. What are the names of the two animals Rosa finds on the ground, and where is each one located? (2 marks) (2 marks)

2. Find and copy the Spanish words from the text that describe the dog and the bird. (2 marks) (2 marks)

3. Why do you think Rosa describes the bird as 'fast' while the cat is 'quiet'? Use evidence from the text to support your inference. (3 marks) (3 marks)

4. What might happen to the animals if the weather in Spain changed from sunny to very stormy? Explain your reasoning. (3 marks) (3 marks)

5. Do you agree with Rosa that it is important to look after all animals? Justify your answer using your own ideas. (3 marks) (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a scene based on the passage: include the large dog under the orange tree, the small cat on the stone wall, and the blue bird flying in the sky. Label each animal with its Spanish name from the word bank.



Extension challenge: Research one other animal that lives in Spain. Write three sentences in English about it, and then try to translate the animal's name and one adjective (like big, small, or fast) into Spanish.