

# Spay and Neuter for Life!

It is important to have your dog or cat spayed or neutered. Spaying or neutering stops dogs and cats from having puppies or kittens. Fewer puppies and kittens makes it easier for animal shelters to find loving homes for dogs and cats already born.



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Animal doctors, or veterinarians, do the spay or neuter procedure. Girl dogs and cats are "spayed." Boy dogs and cats are "neutered." After the spay or neuter procedure, pets may be a little sore and need a few days of rest as they get better.

Maddie the dog was spayed and Maddie's friend Bramble the cat was neutered. A band-aid will make these pets feel better. Color the band-aids below. Can you tell what shapes they are? After you are finished, carefully cut them out and glue them on Maddie's spay spot and Bramble's neuter spot.

