

Choose a Cat

Which cat will Carly and Mitch choose?

¹ “It’s our first pet, so we would like to start with a grown up cat,” explained Mom.

² Mrs. Mendez smiled. “I think that’s a smart idea for a first pet. It’s a little easier. Feel free to look around. Just wave if you have questions,” said Mrs. Mendez as she turned away.

³ Carly and Mitch were already looking around. An orange tiger cat looked at Mitch, but then it walked away. Carly saw a big black cat. She held out her hand. The cat hissed and batted at her hand.

⁴ “You are not very friendly!” cried Carly, pulling her hand back. Just then, a gray cat with white paws rubbed against Carly’s ankles, then against Mitch’s.

⁵ Mitch smiled at Carly. “This one has picked us, Carly.”



1. This story is mostly about

_____ choosing a cat.

_____ Mr. Mendez's work.

_____ kittens who need homes.

2. Why didn't Carly choose the big black cat?

3. How did Mitch and Carly choose the gray cat?

4. What does it mean when a cat hisses at you?

5. Mrs. Mendez comes up in an earlier story. How does Carly's family know her?

6. Why does Mrs. Mendez think a grown up cat is a good choice for a first pet?

7. What is the setting for this story?

8. Do you think the Blake family will be good pet owners? Why or why not?
