# Super English



### Level 5 - Unit 1 - Pets - Lesson 4



#### exotic: very different, strange, or unusual (adj)

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I don't want to get a normal pet. I want to get something exotic.

tame: not wild or dangerous (adj); to make a wild animal domestic (verb)



He wasn't worried because the tiger is tame. She tried to tame the squirrel.

natural: as found in nature and not involving anything made or done by people (adj) inglis



Wild animals do better in their natural habitats.

## survive: continue to live or exist, especially after almost dying (verb)

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The man was attacked by a shark but was able to survive.

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## Exotic Pets



There isn't an exact definition of **exotic** pets. Most people consider a pet to be exotic if it is not common for people to have one. Wild animals that have been **<u>tamed</u>** are usually considered exotic also. There are many different types of exotic pets, such as snakes, lizards, monkeys, sugar gliders, and many others. People have owned exotic pets for thousands of years, but recently the amount of people owning these pets has exploded. Taking animals out of their **<u>natural</u>** habitats is usually not good for them. Many are not able to **<u>survive</u>** after they have been captured and transported around the world.



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 What is usually considered an exotic pet?
Do you think it's good to make wild animals pets?

### Which exotic pet should Leo buy?



(Answer with I think/don't think + should.)

Leo wants to buy an exotic pet. He wants a small, cute little pet that likes to be held. He lives in a small apartment with a garden. He would like a pet that can be house-trained.



**Chinchillas** are small cute little animals. They are nocturnal, so they are more active at night. They are easy to care for. They can sometimes be shy and not like being handled.



**Sugar gliders** are adorable little animals. They are easy to keep and love having attention from their owners. They are very messy and cannot be house-trained, so they have to be kept in cages.



Fennec Foxes are incredibly cute and tiny. They are very social animals and love to be held. They can be house-trained like a cat, so it's not always necessary to have a cage.



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### we should be there already!

## We use <u>should/shouldn't</u> when something isn't expected or doesn't seem right.

He told me it would only take an hour. We should be there by now!



Nobody lives here, but the lights are on. The lights shouldn't be on.

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## Dialogue - Pets

### Role play with your teacher!

- Benjamin: Hi Kim, what are you doing?
  - Kim: Oh, hi Benjamin. I'm looking for my pet.
- Benjamin: Your pet?



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- Kim: Yes, he got out of his tank, and I can't find him.
- Benjamin: What kind of pet do you have? I will help you look.
  - Kim: Great! Thanks! It's a scorpion.
- Benjamin: A scorpion? Forget it; I'm not touching one of those!
  - Kim: Haha, don't worry; it is actually kind of cute.

