

Essay Topic: What feelings do you think animals have? Samad Siddiqui, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

I think animals, just like people, have feelings of love, happiness, sadness, and even anger.

Let's begin with anger. A cat will hiss when it is angry or trying to defend its owner. A dog emits a deep growl to scare off any unwanted person or intruder. This is a definite sign of anger and should not be taken lightly. If you ever hear your dog growling at night, pay attention! Most likely he is trying to scare off a thug.

As for sadness, a dog shows sadness when it whimpers, its ears fold back, and its eyes grow wide in a pleading way. Another sign of sorrow is when an animal whines and makes a depressing kind of sound. That is the cue for its owner to find out what is the cause behind the dog's misery and to fix it as soon as possible.

Furthermore, animals feel happy and blissful. A cat feels content when it lies down and purrs lazily. A dog will show joy by wagging its tail in pleasure.

Last but not least, animals not only understand but they also express their feelings of love and affection in many ways. You can tell a cat loves you when it rubs against your legs. You can tell a dog loves you when it starts licking you all over, making you feel like the luckiest person on Earth!

So next time your pet does something like this, you should be able to tell if your pet is feeling happy, sad, angry, or loved. These are all emotions that animals feel and express in their own language. It is a language that every pet owner should understand.