

House  
Rabbit SOCIETY

# Leaps + Bounds

Community Youth Outreach  
Elementary K - 5



# FUNNY FACTS ABOUT RABBITS!

## 1 RABBITS ARE NOT "RODENTS"!

They're lagomorphs! The difference? Rodents like rats have 4 incisors while lagomorphs like rabbits have 6. Other lagomorphs include hares and pikas.



## 2 RABBITS HAVE A "BLIND SPOT"!

They have monocular vision because their eyes are located on the sides of their head, leaving them with a 10-degree blind spot in front of their nose.



## 3 RABBIT ACROBATICS ARE CALLED BINKIES!

When they're happy, rabbits will leap, kick, and twist in the air. This happy leap is known as a *binky*.



## 4 RABBITS POOP 200 TO 300 TIMES PER DAY!

And they use a litter box! Rabbits like to eat and poop in the same place. Fixed rabbits have good litter habits.



## 5 RABBITS ARE CREPUSCULAR!

This means they're most active at dusk and dawn, when other animals' vision is poor. They love to play before you go to school and after dinnertime!



## 6 RABBITS CAN PURR!

Like cats, happy rabbits purr when they're content and relaxed. The sound comes from their teeth chattering softly. It can be felt when you pet them.



## 7 RABBITS' TEETH NEVER STOP GROWING!

Which is why they love to chew. You need to keep them entertained with toys and games to prevent them from chewing things they shouldn't!



## 8 1 PAIR OF RABBITS CAN BECOME 800 IN A YEAR!

A single pair of rabbits and their offspring can produce over 1,300 rabbits within 18 months. This is why spaying and neutering rabbits is very, very important!





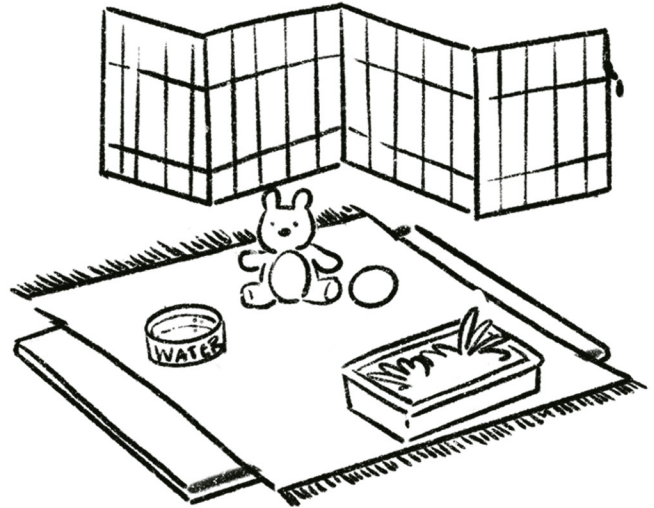
# Healthy Habits, Heathy Rabbits

Just like you and me, having healthy habits keeps a rabbit strong and happy. Here are some of the best ways to keep a rabbit safe and loved.



**Healthy Diet**

Rabbits eat hay, salad, and food pellets. Carrots are only for dessert.



**Healthy Place**

Rabbits should live indoors, as part of the family, just like dogs and cats.



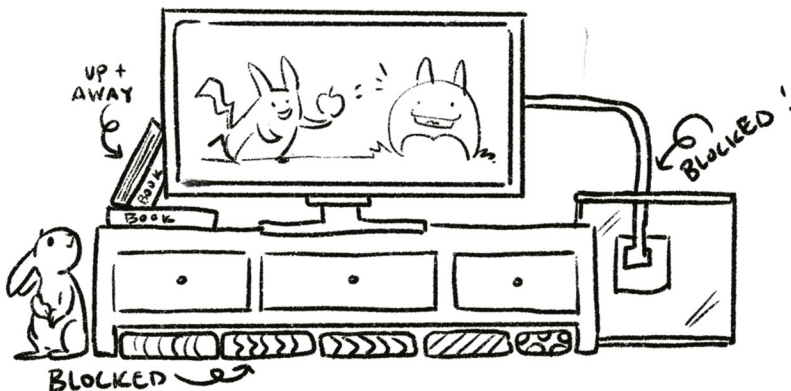
**Healthy Friendship**

Rabbits like when you spend time with them down on their level.



**Healthy Play**

Rabbits like to play with toys just like you! Try giving them plastic toys or plushies.



**Safe Space**

Rabbits love to chew! Anything on the ground could be chewed by your rabbit.

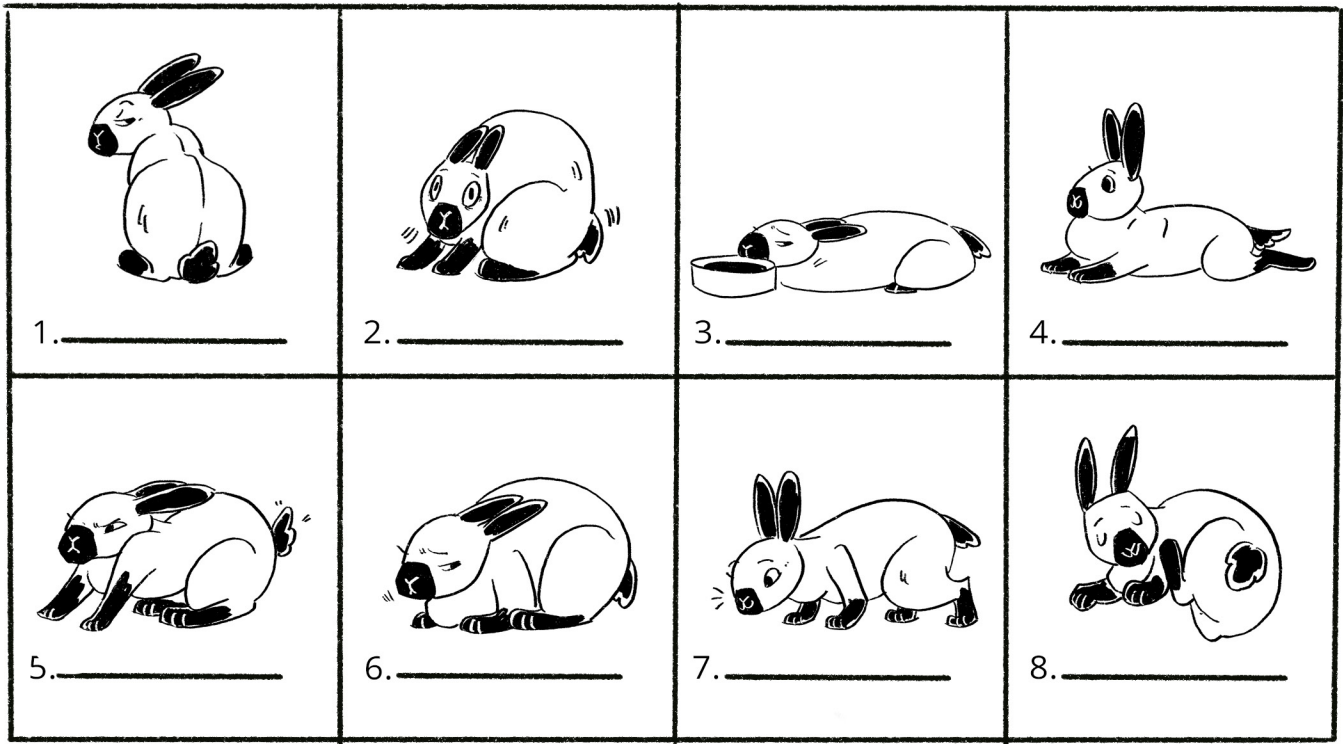


**What do you do if a rabbit seems sick?**

When a rabbit isn't eating or pooping they may be sick. Let your parent/guardian know!

# Rabbit Language

Rabbits have BIG emotions just like you. They show their feelings with their whole body by the way they sit, lay, and play! How does each rabbit below feel?



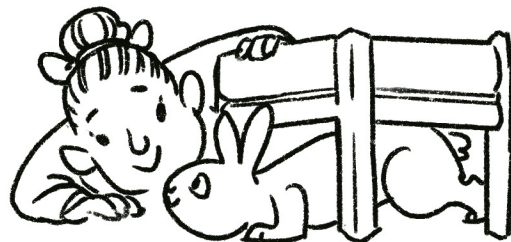
**Word Bank:** Happy Excited Curious Scared Mad Sad Sick Annoyed

# Rabbit Play

Rabbits love to play, exercise, and have fun just like you. They like to play with toys, run, skip, dance, explore, and more. Here are a few ways that most rabbits like to play.



Reading with you



Exploring



Games and Puzzles



Plastic and Paper Toys

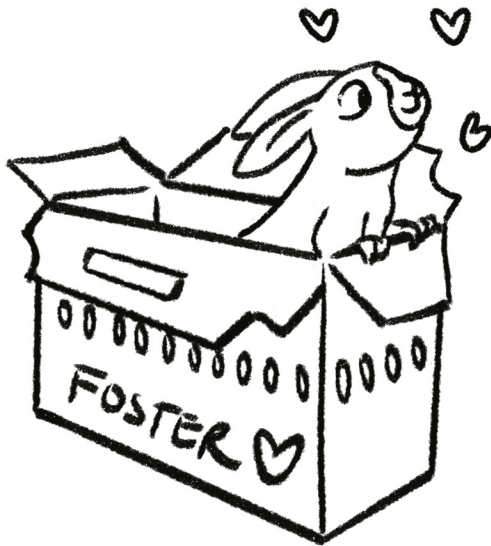


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# Part of Your Community

It takes a whole community working together to help keep rabbits hoppy and healthy. With so many rabbits in shelters and rescues, here are some ways you can help them!



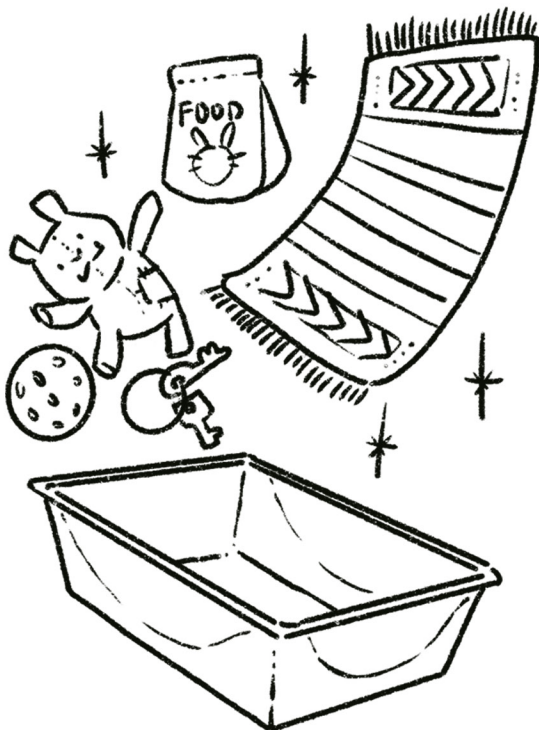
## Foster a Rabbit

Fostering is when you take care of a rabbit, but you don't adopt them. This makes the rabbit happy and helps the shelter make space for more animals.



## Craft or Bake Things

Make toys for the shelter rabbits out of paper, cardboard, toilet paper rolls, and hay. You can also have a bake sale or sell lemonade to raise money for the rabbits!



## Hold a Supply Drive

Ask friends and family for items like litterboxes, litter, food pellets, toys, and blankets to give to your local shelter.



## See a Rabbit Outside?

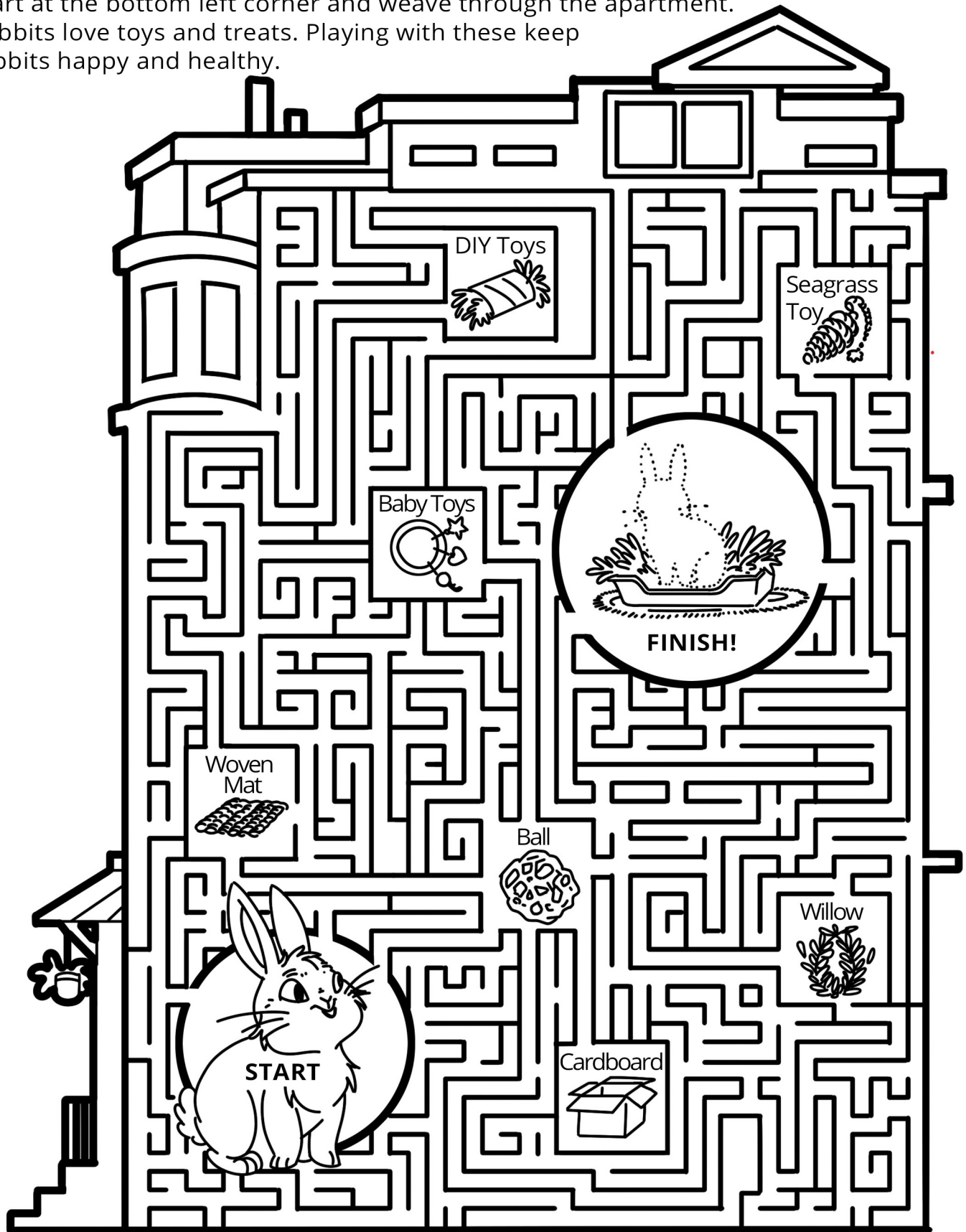
If you see a rabbit outside, tell a parent or guardian. Come together with your neighbors to catch and rehome the rabbit.

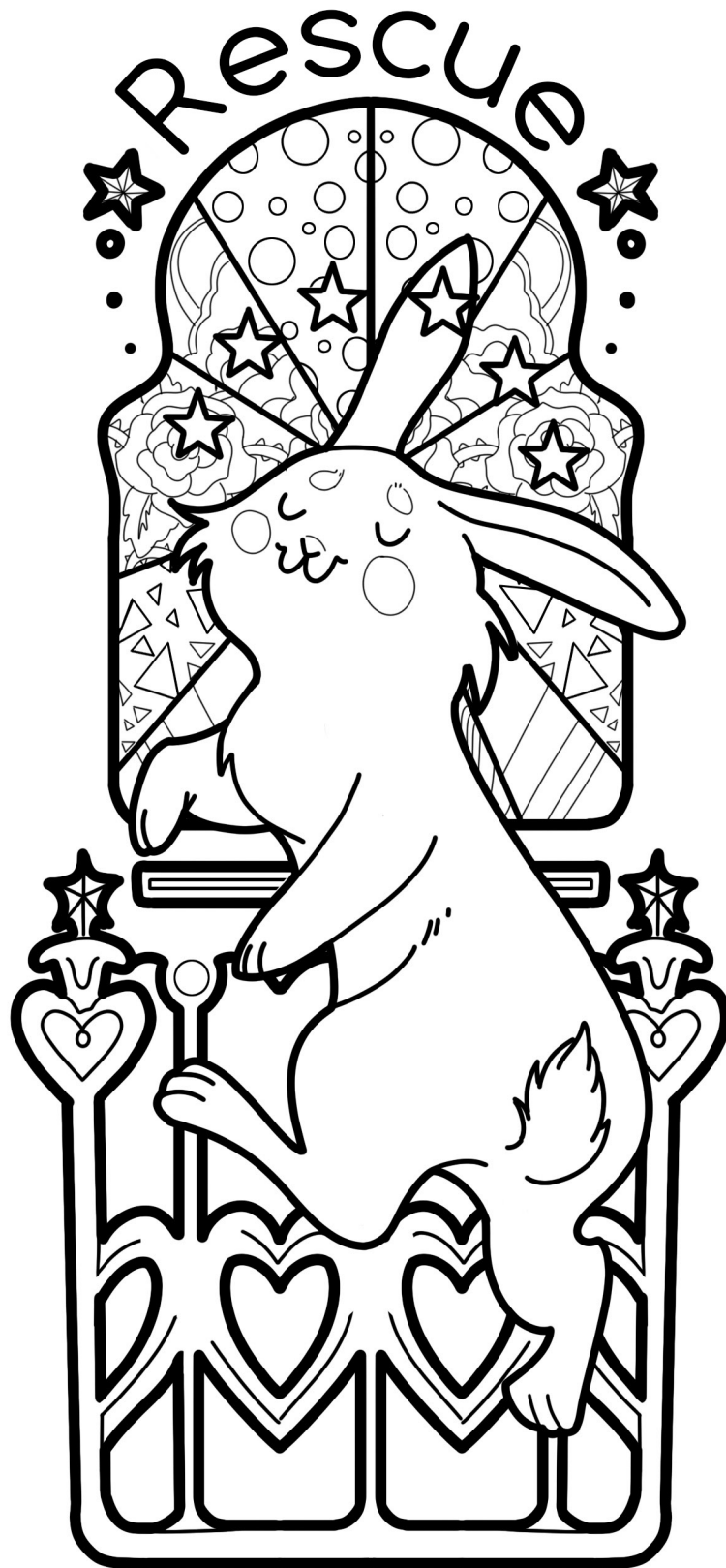


A healthy rabbit breakfast is 1/8 cup healthy pellets, 1 - 2 cups dark leafy greens, and unlimited hay! A healthy rabbit dinner is 1/8 cup healthy pellets, and unlimited hay. Treats like carrot, apple, and strawberry are desserts and should be given no more than 2 tablespoons once a day.

# Help Mochi Collect All His Toys And Treats On His Way To His Litterbox!

Start at the bottom left corner and weave through the apartment. Rabbits love toys and treats. Playing with these keep rabbits happy and healthy.





Rabbits are the 3rd most popular family pet in America. They are companion animals just like cats and dogs. They can live 8 to 10 years and thrive in an indoor setup with their loving families. Their favorite way to play is down on the ground with toys and treats.