

Words by Theme Self-assessment

Complete an account of a man who lives on a boat with the given words. Make sure your answers are grammatically correct.

Adjective: fulfilling gifted irritating unbearable

Noun: conservationist cue pursuit treat

Verb: approach cooperate prickle reckon

Sailing Solo with a Cat

Mark Sanders and his ginger cat, Goldie, live together on a narrow boat on a canal.

As his boat gently (1) _____ the dock, Mark takes the (2) _____ and quickly gets the ropes ready to tie the boat to the shore.



Meanwhile, Goldie lies lazily on the roof and (3) _____ that he has the better deal. The cat is exceptionally (4) _____ at avoiding any kind of physical effort.

A (5) _____ at heart, Mark cares deeply about plants and animals. Being close to nature was one of the reasons he moved onto the waterways two years ago. He found the noisy city to be (6) _____ at first, and in the end quite (7) _____.

In (8) _____ of a more (9) _____ life, he is willing to adapt to harsh winters when ice locks his boat in for days at a time. Thankfully, boaters frequently (10) _____ to help each other in difficult situations.

During late spring, Mark suffers from hay fever, which (11) _____ his nose. Naturally, Goldie remains blissfully unaware of his owner's discomfort.

Mark cannot imagine living in the urban jungle again. As he fries up mushrooms that he picked on a nearby island earlier in the day, he shares with his visitors how life on the boat is a great (12) _____. Goldie, who yawns as a big rat dashes past, can't agree more.

