

Pets in five languages

Name _____

- 1 WRITE IT FIVE WAYS:** The English word is given. The other four are in task 2 below – copy each one carefully here, getting every accent right.

ENGLISH	IRISH	FRENCH	GERMAN	SPANISH
Dog				
Cat				
Rabbit				

- 2 FIND WHAT THEY SHARE:** Look along each line. Do any two of the words look close to each other? Write which two and the letters they share. If none of them do, write “none” – that is a real answer here.

Dog (English) • **Madra** (Irish) • **le chien** (French) • **der Hund** (German) • **el perro** (Spanish)

Any two that look close: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

Cat (English) • **Cat** (Irish) • **le chat** (French) • **die Katze** (German) • **el gato** (Spanish)

Any two that look close: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

Rabbit (English) • **Coinín** (Irish) • **le lapin** (French) • **das Kaninchen** (German) • **el conejo** (Spanish)

Any two that look close: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

- 3 WHAT DO YOU THINK?** Which is easier to learn, extra little words or extra endings?

In Finnish, talo is a house, talossa is in the house and taloon is into the house. The ending does the job of the little word.
