

DESIGNING ILLUSTRATED BOOK OF KNOWLEDGE OF NURTURING  
AND CAT CARE FOR CHILDREN

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**ABSTRACT**

Children are part of young generation as one of human resources which is the successor of the nation that requires assistance, protection, in order to ensure the growth and development of their physical, mental, social, that harmonious and balance. Therefore, children need education not only in terms of academic, but also of character education about empathy, responsibility, and social, especially for children aged 5-6 years that experiencing many physical skill development, emotional, language, and social which later would form their personality. The character education can be learned from the child's environment, one of which is from cat that became one of the most popular pet in Indonesia. Learning about love that is taught to children early through cat as a pet, can play an important role in forming children's attitudes towards the environment, and the way they treat animals not only to cats but other types of animals in the future that of course, can help to reduce violence animals whose cases can be found, whether published or not. The purpose of this illustrated book is as a solution to help children understand the cat in terms of general knowledge and how to care for them. The author collected data through interviews with relevant sources, literature, and observations. Once the necessary data is collected, the authors conducted a design in the form of full-color book with illustrations such as cartoons, using a simple story, and character to make child understand the information easier. Content created with the aim to create a harmonious interaction of the children with the environment especially pets, strengthen empathy towards fellow living things, and improve social skills such as cooperation with the family to take care of cats.

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