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# CATS ILLUSTRATED

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## Juliet has food poisoning!



Last night, Juliet's stomach started to bother her at approximately eleven o'clock — and an hour later she threw up. Juliet had a horrible morning, with fitful sleep and a lot of throwing up. Right now, Juliet is sleeping and Blackpelt is trying to figure out how Juliet got food poisoning.

Image above - Juliet, throwing up into a trash can.

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The previous day, she had eaten her regular cereal breakfast in the morning, and the milk was definitely fresh. For lunch, Juliet had gone to get a turkey sandwich from the deli nearby, but sliced turkey, vegetables, and bread aren't usually going to be raw or anything. But then there was dinner. Blackpelt had cooked a roast beef, and he did notice that some parts were

particularly pink. Right now, Blackpelt thinks that he was the one to give Juliet food poisoning, and he is feeling horrible about it.

After Juliet stopped throwing up today and just rested on her bed, Harvey came over to give her a short therapy session. Juliet was still feeling nauseous, but was able to listen to Harvey for a half hour. Lunch came over a little later with Makenna, after Blackpelt had called them because they knew the most about food poisoning. Lunch went through the things Juliet had eaten the day before, and in the end, both she and Makenna agreed that it was probably the roast beef that had given Juliet food poisoning. Now Blackpelt felt so guilty, he swore never to cook again. But that might not be a good choice, because Juliet can't cook either.

This incident has left cats on high alert for any signs of food poisoning. Even kittens, who usually enjoy soft boiled eggs, cooked the eggs for twice as long as usual just in case there was salmonella in any of them. Some kittens refused to eat their lunches because the ham in them looked a bit pink. Ham already looks pink, but kittens were on high alert. However, some kitten made the mistake of telling other kittens about how some leftovers had to be heated to a certain temperature because otherwise they had bacteria, and that basically took cold pizza off of the menu.

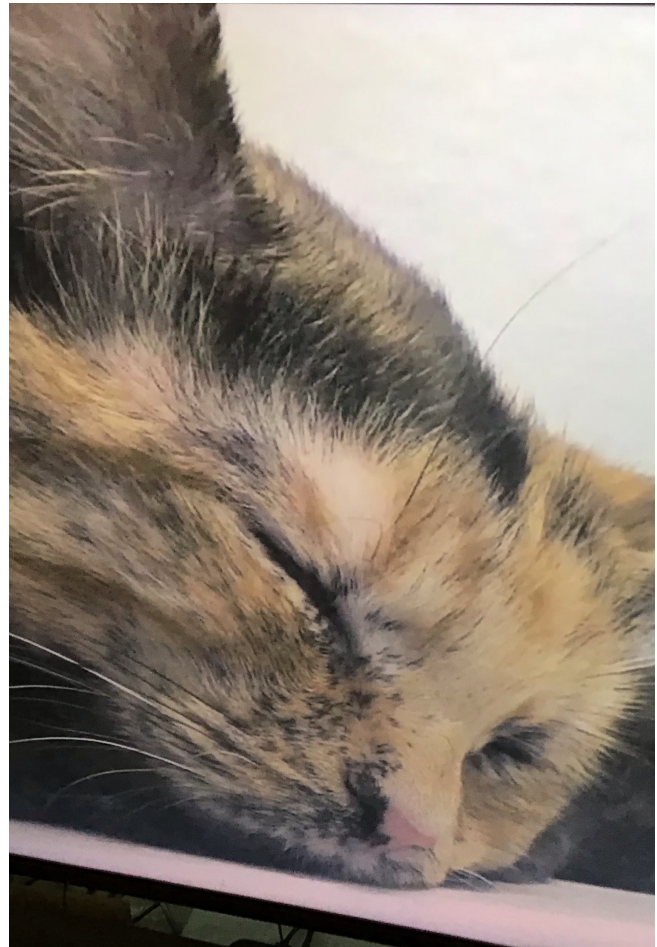


Image above - Judy, who burned some rice today just in case it had bacteria in it.

**“I’ve heard there’s only a 1 in a 100 chance to get salmonella from a raw egg — that’s good enough for me.”**

- NAYA

Today, when one of Juliet’s kittens got leftover vegetables in their lunch, they asked for a thermometer to measure the vegetables’ temperature, but that took a while. So by the time Juliet’s kittens got a reading, the vegetables were well under 165 even though they had been warmed up just fifteen minutes earlier. And this put Juliet’s kittens on alert, and they spent the rest of the lunchtime warming and taking the temperature of their leftover vegetables.

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