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Kittens are doing state testing!



Right now, it is approaching the time of year where kittens need to do state testing. Surprisingly, it is a fun part of the year for most kittens. That may be because they get snacks while they do the test, they can play computer games when they finish, and they don't have to do any real schoolwork during the test.

Image above - Harvey and North, who both remember state testing from when they were kittens.

Most adult cats support state testing, too, but they are a little warier now. If their kittens are this supportive of the testing, adult cats do not know what to think. However, state testing is mandatory, and all kittens who are a certain age have to take it. Still, some of them have different opinions on the

subject. “State testing is my favorite part of the school year,” says Stripy Jr., one of Stripy’s kittens, “mama never lets my siblings and I play video games, but we can when we finish the test! Also, there will be good snacks available during the test.” Stripy’s kittens have the support of most other kittens, but there is a second party in this argument.

“I don’t like state testing,” says Wilbur Spots, one of Juliet’s kittens, “I take the test slower, and then I feel bad when I hear other kittens laughing about computer games when I never get to play them. The state test stresses me out, and I don’t like to take it.” Wilbur Spots has the support of a few kittens, but his opinion is not very popular. However, adult cats have jumped on his testimony, and are complaining to the school about how they let kittens play video games when they finish the test. But there isn’t much the school can change. They aren’t just going to keep all of the kittens who finished the test in the room, doing nothing. Unfortunately, the system just may not be fair to all.

Many cats also have fond memories of taking the state test when they were younger. North, who always finished fast, remembered being able to play outside once he had finished. It was a very fun experience for him, as he got a lot of extra recess on those state testing days. But Lunch also has memories of the state test. She tended to take longer, and because of that, the test felt stressful when kittens started leaving the room to play.

“State tests are fun, but the answer key isn’t hidden well enough.”

- NAYA

kittens know that no matter what, their parents will buy them a large treat for doing the state test, no matter what kind of experience they had.

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Image above - Rudy, who just tried to finish faster than Judy when she took state tests as a kitten.

Cats have mixed feelings about the state tests, but they want their kittens to be open-minded about it. Maybe they will be fast and have a good time, or maybe they will take slower and have a stressful experience. But