**Task 1**

**Species’ behaviour**

Choose a pet species you know a lot about, or would like to learn about. As this will be the species you will be doing a whole unit on.

**Behaviour cues**

Create a table to show communication behaviours in your species. Describe what the behaviour means. There will be multiple cues for ear, multiple for tail etc. Vocalisation, you’ll need all the types.

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| Visual cues | Ear position |  |
| Tail position |  |
| Body posture |  |
| Movement |  |
| Piloerection |  |
| Vocalisation |  |  |
| Chemical cues |  |  |

**Differences due to life stage**

Example life stage is for a dog. You’ll need to check your species’ life stages.

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| Life stage | Difference to behaviour |
| E.g. new born |  |
| E.g. puppy |  |
| E.g. adult |  |
| E.g. Pregnant |  |
| E.g. Senior |  |

**Signs of ill health to look for when observing animals**

You may have some of this in unit 6. I’ll also email GCSE info on this too.

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| Signs of ill-health |  |
| Visual |  |
| Auditory |  |
| Other |  |

**Signs of stress**

Describe the signs of stress your species shows.

**Breed differences**

Example for dog, but must be for your species. Do 6 breeds.

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| Breeds |  |
| E.g. German Shepherd |  |
| E.g. Border Collie |  |
| E.g. Corgi |  |
| E.g. Siberian Husky |  |
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**Types of temperament**

Examples of behaviour cues for each temperament. Doesn’t need explaining though.

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| Types |  |
| Aggressive |  |
| Nervous |  |
| Excited |  |
| Relaxed |  |
| Fearful |  |
| Anxious |  |
| Aggressive |  |