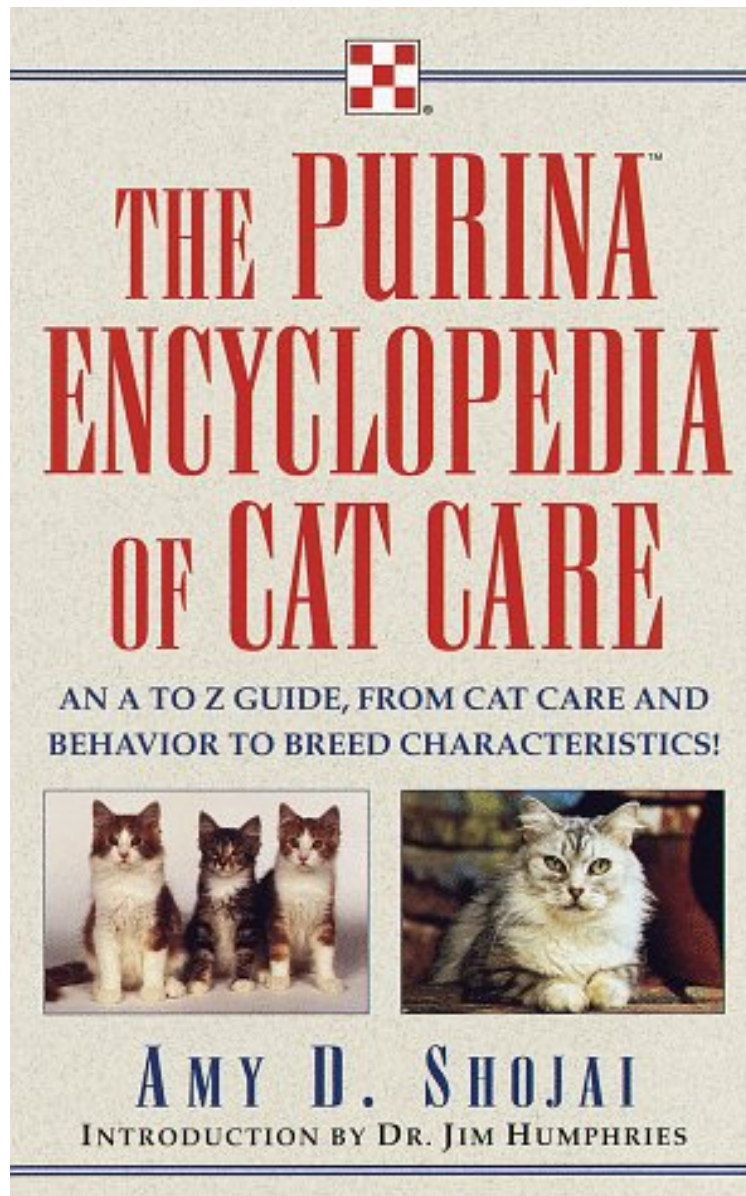


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NOTE: THIS BOOK PUBLISHED IN 1998, is out of print, and being sold as a used copy. For the latest most accurate cat care information, refer to more recent titles by author Amy Shojai. See CAT FACTS: The Pet Parent's A-to-Z Home Care Encyclopedia Nearly four million households in America keep at least one cat. Now, from the name you've trusted for at least nine lives comes the definitive reference for finding, keeping, and maintaining a healthy, happy pet. The Purina (TM) Encyclopedia of Cat Care is designed to answer all your questions. How do I choose the right cat? What preventive care should I give? Why do cats act the way they do, and what behaviors indicate illness? And perhaps most important, what should I do in an emergency situation? Inside you'll find: An alphabetical, A to Z listing, with 200 entries covering everything from abscesses and hairballs to whiskers and zoonosis Boxed charts that list symptoms for a particular condition, the corresponding home care, the comparative vet treatments, and preventative advice A beautiful color "photo album" of forty-one feline breeds with detailed descriptions of each A symptoms/conditions table that helps you identify what ailment might be bothering your cat A comprehensive, easy-to-use index makes quick reference a snap Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of national cat organizations, including animal welfare and information services, veterinary resources, and feline research foundations And much more!

.com Usually they just sleep, eat, and chase crumpled wads of paper around like they're possessed, but when your kitty starts vomiting or biting her skin till she bleeds, it's helpful to get some answers. Amy Shojai, a veterinary technician for 20 years, has compiled an encyclopedia that provides A-to-Z guidance to cat care and cat behavior. From Abscess to Zoonosis, Shojai discusses diseases and abnormal conditions as well as perfectly healthy behaviors like play-fighting, kneading, and the Flehman reaction. Shojai explains cat-grooming needs, provides information on the neutering process, describes why cats navigate so well, and explores the situations likely to cause your cat stress, the symptoms associated with stress, and how best to address said stress, once you've identified it. There's also a useful appendix introducing cat breeds and associations, and another appendix of symptoms with their associated diseases and conditions, so you can read up on the physical and character traits of the Abyssinian, Bengal, and Maine Coon, or determine that coughing could be a sign of heartworms, lungworms, or pneumonia. With extra pages listing animal welfare foundations, pet services, and veterinary resources, plus 41 color photographs illustrating popular cat breeds, Shojai's encyclopedia is accurate, easy to use, and a great resource on all things feline. --Stephanie Gold From Library Journal Former veterinary technician Shojai, currently a contributing editor at Cats magazine and author of its monthly "Health Handbook" column, has written a thorough encyclopedia of cat care, behavior, and health. Arranged alphabetically and written for the lay reader, the clear, concise, browsable entries range in length from a paragraph to several pages. Entries on diseases also include a box highlighting symptoms, home care, vet care, and prevention. Capitalized words in an article indicate that there are also entries under those words, and numerous See references direct readers to selected terms or other articles of interest. While providing home-care techniques, Shojai stresses the importance of consulting a veterinarian and clearly marks medical emergency situations. She also gives information about what to do if you can't get to a vet immediately. Appendixes list cat associations, cat breeds with descriptions and photos (not seen), a section of symptoms and associated diseases, animal welfare and information sources, pet services, veterinary resources, and feline research foundations. Recommended for reference and/or circulating collections in public libraries along with the excellent, recently updated The Cornell Book of Cats (Villard, 1997. 2d ed.), a more comprehensive but slightly more technical treatment. (Index not seen.)? Sue O'Brien, Downers Grove P.L., Ill. Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Booklist The 200 alphabetical entries in this comprehensive guide cover most of what a cat owner needs to know to keep their pet healthy and happy. General information about cats and their physical needs and characteristics is covered in addition to diseases and conditions. Entries are clearly written, and topics are thoroughly explained. For example, the article on cat nutrition not only tells how much to feed a cat but also outlines the animal's dietary requirements and the role of each requirement in maintaining health. Related articles on feeding and the importance of reading labels are found through see and see also references. Despite the fact that the guide is published under the auspices of the Purina Company, there is no commercial promotion of their products. Articles on diseases and conditions are equally informative. Each entry, in addition to the primary text, has a fact box outlining symptoms, home and veterinary care, and prevention. Some entries, such as cancer, are several pages long. The entry on poison has a five-page chart dealing with symptoms and treatments of a variety of toxins. An appendix gives a quick-reference symptom chart for home diagnosis that is accompanied by a caveat to consult a

veterinarian for follow-up. Another appendix contains descriptions of 41 cat breeds; these breeds are illustrated in a section of color photographs inserted elsewhere in the text. A third appendix includes names and addresses of cat associations, feline research foundations, and pet and veterinary services. Last year's well-received *Encyclopedia of the Cat* [RBB N 15 97], published by DK, has more information on individual breeds but much less on feline health. The *Purina Encyclopedia of Cat Care* is a well-organized and easy-to-use resource and is recommended for public libraries.