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Many people choose fish that can live in an aquarium or fish tank inside their house. It is important to check what type of home will suit your fish. It is best to have a good size tank as it is difficult to keep your fish healthy in a goldfish bowl. Remember to check how big the fish will grow to when it is an adult. Fish such as catfish grow to be very large and would not make a suitable pet in an aquarium.



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People often like to keep fish as pets. There are lots of different types of fish and they need looking after in different ways. Some fish, like goldfish, like to live in cold water. Tropical fish need to live in warmer water. Some fish need salt water as they are fish that would live in the sea but other fish need fresh water as they are from rivers, ponds or lakes.



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If you decide to have an aquarium, you will need special equipment to keep your fish healthy. The aquarium needs a filter to keep the water clean.

Warm-water fish will need a special heater to keep the water at the right temperature. You will also need a special light for the aquarium. Pet fish often eat dried fish food flakes although they can have other foods as well.

