Pit-Pat

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Practice reading these sentences.

It is Pam’s birthday.
Pam gets a pan.
Pam puts milk in the pan.
Nan’s little sister, Pam, is three years old today. Matt and Tim come to her birthday party. Matt gives her a present. What is it?

Pam gets a pan.
A cat picture is in the pan.
Pam doesn’t know why Matt has given her a pad with a picture of a cat in it. She doesn’t even have a cat! She opens Tim’s present next.
Pam doesn’t know why Tim has given her a sleeping pad for a cat. She opens Nan’s present next. Is it for a cat too?

Pam gets a sack.
Milk is in the sack.
A cat picture is on the sack.
Mom gets a box. What do you think is in the box?

Pam gets a cat!
The cat is Pit-Pat.
Pam pats it.
Pam is so happy with her surprise present. “I know what the pan and the pad and the milk are for!” she says.

Pam puts milk in the pan. Pit-Pat sips the milk. Pit-Pat naps on the pad.
After Pit-Pat wakes up from her nap, she is hungry. She sees Pam’s birthday cake. What does she do next?

Pit-Pat likes the cake.
No, Pit-Pat, no!
Pit-Pat tips it!
Pam gets the cake.
Luckily, Pam catches the cake before it falls! Is Pam mad at Pit-Pat?

Pam pats Pit-Pat.
Pam is not mad at Pit-Pat.

Pam thanks her family and friends for a wonderful birthday surprise.
1. Is a cat in the pan?
   yes no

2. Was Pit-Pat a dog?
   yes no

3. Did Pam pat Pit-Pat?
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