Taking care of your pet rock:

1) **Swimming and bathing** - Never take your pet rock swimming. They are known to be poor swimmers and will sink to the bottom. It is ok to give them an occasional bath in shallow water.

2) **Feeding** - No one knows what pet rocks like to eat, but they seem to thrive without food. It is not necessary to feed your pet rock

3) **Exercise** - Pet rocks can be quite lazy. They do enjoy being tossed in the air sometimes, but should never be thrown at anything.

4) **Traveling** - Pet rocks enjoy going on vacations. They prefer traveling in pockets.

5) **Training** - Pet rocks are easy to train. They can quickly learn to "sit", "stay", and "play dead". However, they are also very stubborn and will not come when called.

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Taking care of your pet:

1) **Food and water** - How would you feel if you didn't have enough to eat or drink? Make sure that your pet has enough food and fresh clean water to stay at a healthy weight and energy level.

2) **Shelter** - How would you feel if you lived in the yard away from your family? Your pet is part of your family and loves being close to you. Make sure that your pet lives indoors with the rest of the family. Also be sure that your pet has a comfortable bed in a quiet place to sleep.

3) **Exercise** - How would you feel if you only lay around all day? Your pet needs exercise to stay at a healthy weight, to stay active and healthy. Make sure that you walk your dog every day, and take time to play with all of your pets.

4) **Grooming and the Veterinarian** - Can your pet take itself to the doctor or keep itself as clean as it needs to be? Make sure that you help keep your pets clean by brushing their hair and teeth, clipping their nails, and giving them (the dogs) occasional baths. Your pets need to go to the vet at least once a year.

5) **Training** - Can you teach an old dog (or cat) new tricks? Of course you can. Dogs of any age benefit from obedience training (and you can even teach cats, rabbits, rats, and other animals neat tricks at home) and will be happier members of the family with it.

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