



THE ELEVEN LITTLE
KITTENS WHO
LIVED IN A CAR



A Rescue Story
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One day a woman was taking a walk and happened to walk by a parked car surrounded by cats and kittens. She saw someone in the car and asked, "Hello, are you taking care of all of these kittens"?



The woman in the car said, "Yes, they were born here and I live in my car and took them in here with me so they would be safe. I am worried about them, though, because I have no money to feed them good food and I cannot pay for them to go to the pet doctor to have an operation so they won't make more little kittens that could starve or get sick."



The woman walking by told the car lady that she might be able to find them good families to care for the kittens and give them food, water, love, and a nice home.

The car lady asked how she could do that and the lady said she knew some kitten rescue groups. The car lady was worried about her kittens and she knew she would miss them; but she also knew that she could not keep feeding them and giving them medical care, so she said, "OK."

The car lady collected all the orange kittens while the lady walking by the car called a kitten rescue she knew and found out if there would be room in foster homes for the 11 little kittens!
Yes, 11 LITTLE KITTENS!





The kitten rescue lady came right away and said, "Yes, we can help find them homes with nice families and maybe some will go to children who will treat the kittens well and learn how to help take care of them and others when they grow up."

So the three ladies gently rounded up all the kittens and put them into the cat carrier to get ready to go to their new families.





Since 11 kittens at once would be too many for one person to take care of well, once the kittens were given a bath, nails clipped, and fed, they were going to be split up into to go to different places called foster homes. At foster homes, the kittens would learn how to act with people and other pets so they have a better chance of becoming adopted into someone's family.



But, when the rescue lady had a close look at the kittens, three of them had a cold and needed to see the animal doctor and get medicine. Another kitten had crooked feet and had to have special exercises for a few months.





Four of the kittens went to one home, four to another, and three to one more.. At first the kittens were confused and a little scared because they didn't know what would happen. But the foster families were kind and paid them a lot of attention. They were petted and played with and given toys, a warm bed and a safe playpen to run around in and have fun!.





When all the kittens were old enough and healthy enough to have the operation so they wouldn't make more kittens and they had learned how to be friendly and family pets, the rescue lady and all the foster parents looked for the best homes for the kittens – and found them! All 11 kittens became part of happy new families!



For a booklet about basic kitten care, please visit the:

OHS Humane Education Library.

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