

Unit 6, Listening and Speaking, exercises 2 and 3

You're listening to Animals Today. On today's podcast we're talking about how the St Joseph High School running team helped some dogs near their school. There are a lot of dogs in the USA in animal centres waiting for families to give them a new home. Well, here's one cool way some kids and a centre in California worked together to raise awareness. When one of the workers at the centre suggested the kids on a school running team go for a run with the dogs, their coach Luis Escobar agreed immediately. The kids run every day anyway, so why not take the dogs with them? When the team arrived at the centre, the dogs were really excited to see them and to get outside. They went for a short run of about two and a half kilometres near the centre but Fred, one of the smaller dogs, was tired so Josh, his human partner, carried him to the end. Josh and Fred are now good friends and Fred is now living with Josh so there's a happy ending. Dogs and humans had great fun. Coach Escobar takes really good photos and videos. He posted a video of their run on Facebook, thousands watched it and now other schools and animal centres are doing the same thing. Why don't you donate your time to a centre? You don't need to run with the dogs, you can walk, too!