

I found a kitten! Now what?



Are the kittens visibly sick, injured, or malnourished?

NO

YES

Are the kittens old enough to be separated from mom?



For tips on aging kittens visit www.kittenlady.org/age

NO, THEY ARE NOT YET 6 WEEKS OLD

YES, THEY ARE 6 WEEKS OR OLDER



Do you see a nest or hiding spot?

NO

YES

If in danger, move to a safe spot close by

Gently return kittens to their hiding spot

Are the kittens friendly?

NO

YES

Click for tips on socializing kittens under 12 weeks

www.kittenlady.org/orphaned-1

Click for tips on finding homes

www.kittenlady.org/advertising



Don't take her babies.

If the kittens are:

- Warm
- Clean
- Plump
- Quiet

Mom is doing her job. She'll be back shortly.

Mom might be missing...

If the kittens are:

- Cold
- Dirty
- Skinny
- Noisy

Kittens can't regulate their body temperature, so a kitten that is both cold AND skinny, noisy and/or dirty might be orphaned. Look for sunken bellies, visible bones, or pale skin to confirm mom needs your help.

Click link for tips on caring for newborn kittens.

www.kittenlady.org/kitten-care

or a downloadable booklet

<http://www.kittenlady.org/booklet>

Please please please
don't kidnap her babies!



I need a hero!

Step 1: A kitten's best chance for survival is with her mother. Assess the kittens to confirm she's providing care.

- Are the kittens plump, clean, warm and quiet? Mom is doing her job and likely just out getting dinner. It's safe to leave her kittens in their nest.
- Are the kittens skinny, dirty, cold and noisy? Mom might not be around. Time to help her out and intervene. Advance to step two.

Step 2: You're a new mom! Visit KittenLady.org for a complete kitten care resource center that will guide you through raising your new kitten(s).

- Can't care for the kittens? Be a hero and keep kittens out of shelters by finding someone who can foster until they are old enough to be spayed/neutered and adopted.