


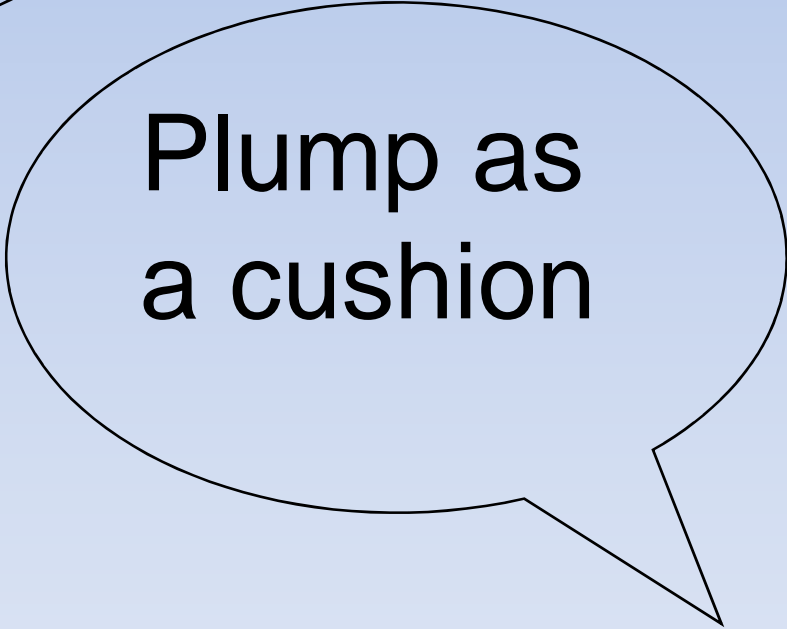
A Case of Murder

'A Case of Murder', copyright Vernon Scannell

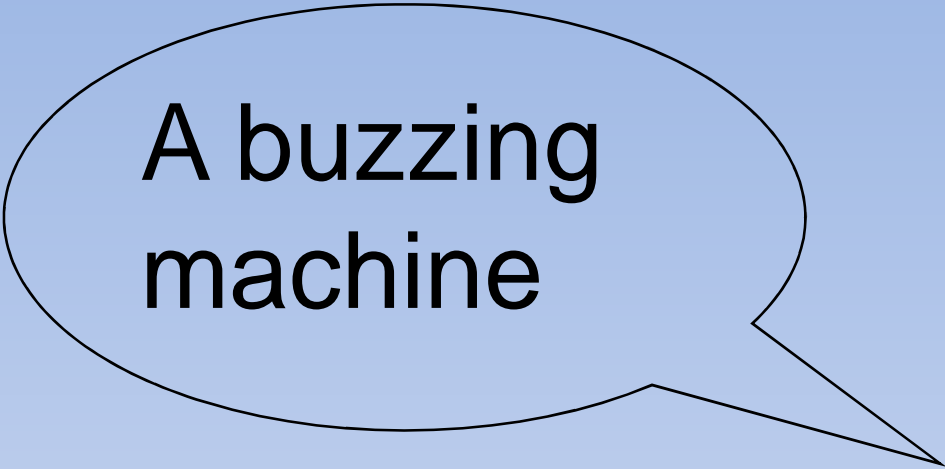
For each of the following images, explain the picture created of the cat



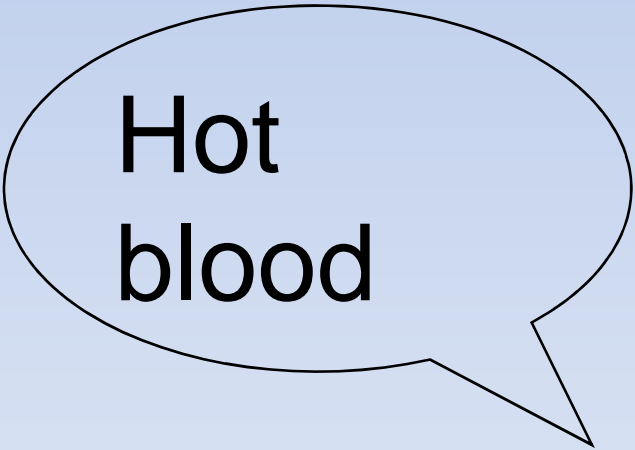
With round
eyes mad as
gold




Plump as
a cushion



A buzzing
machine



Hot
blood



Mad gold
stare



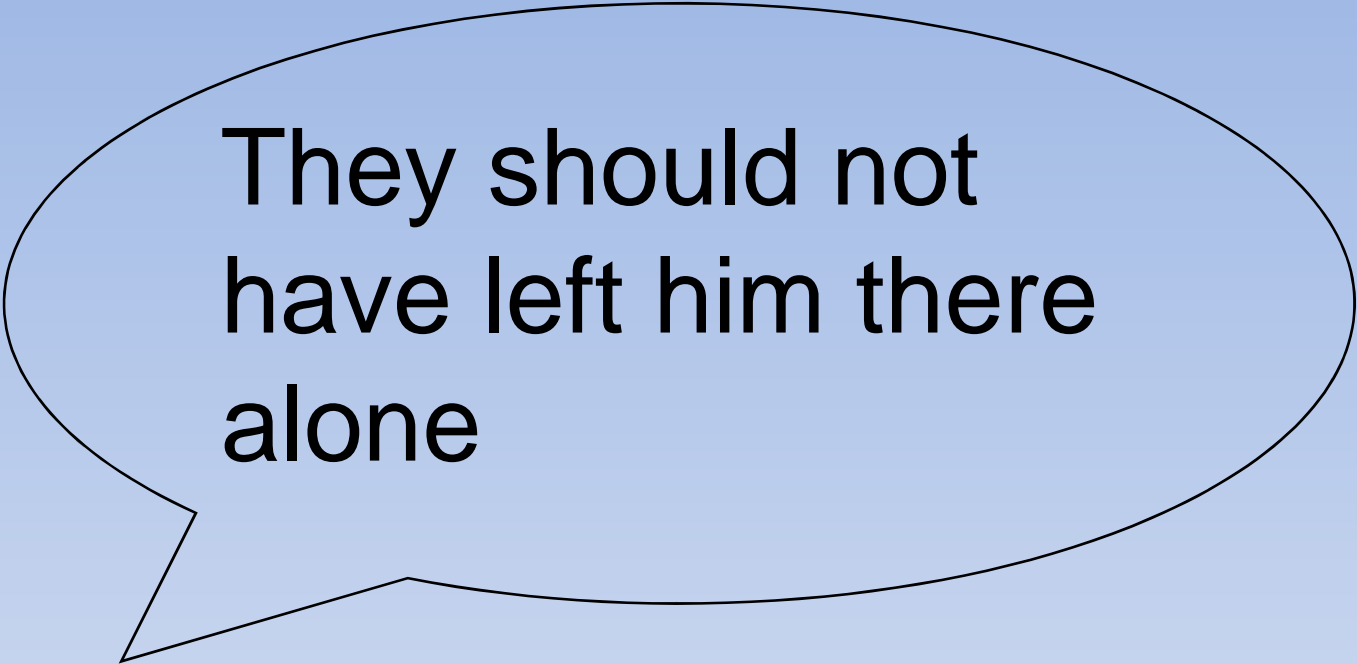
Black stuff



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**Apart from “cat”, make
a list of the other words
which mean cat in the
poem.**

Why do you think the writer wants to create a negative image of the cat?



They should not
have left him there
alone

Explain why this
suggests the boy is not
totally to blame.

Find two more phrases which also suggest the boy is not totally to blame.

Explain them.