Rosa Bonheur was one of France’s foremost animal painters. She believed that nature was always true and beautiful. In order to study animal anatomy, she disguised herself as a man to gain entrance to slaughterhouses.

Bonheur loved animals and had many pets, including these horses, dogs, ponies, deer, elk, sheep, cows, a monkey, a yak, an eagle and a lion!
Do you have a favorite animal?
What makes this animal special to you?
Draw a picture of your pet or favorite animal below.