Myth 4 : It's fine for dogs and cats to eat the same food

Pet food produced for dogs and cats often appear similar in shape, color and variety. So, it might be easy for consumers to assume that it's the same food with different labels.

In reality, dogs and cats have different nutritional needs and require different nutrients at different levels to remain healthy.

Although we often refer to both cats and dogs as carnivores (meat eaters), dogs are semi-carnivores, and cats are obligate carnivores. Cats require a higher of amount of protein during both growth and adult maintenance due to increased enzyme activity. For this reason, most cat food tends to contain more protein than dog food.

Cats fed on dog food are at risk of becoming deficient in key nutrients. One example is taurine, an essential amino acid for healthy heart, eyes and reproductive system. Dog food provides all the nutrients a dog needs but are not designed to provide the nutrients that cats need.

Mars pet food provides all the complete and balanced nutrients which are required in the correct ratio for dogs and cats in our dog and cat food respectively.