

DOGGY DON'TS

- Never touch a dog without asking your guardian and the dog's owner first.
- Never go near a dog that is tied up or reach through a fence to pet a dog.
- Never approach a loose dog. If you see a loose dog, tell an adult.
- Never enter a dog's territory, even if your toys accidentally go into their yard. Ask an adult for help.
- Never make sudden movements or loud noises around dogs.
- Never run from a dog.
- Never tease dogs. Don't touch their feet or pull their hair, tail, or ears.
- Never hug a dog, including your own.
- Never put your face by a dog's face or let them lick your face.
- Never stare at a dog.
- Never wake a sleeping dog.
- Never approach a dog from behind.
- Never feed a dog human food. It could hurt them.
- If a dog has food or a toy, never take it away.
- Never touch a dog that is with puppies.



SAFELY GREET NEW DOGS.

- Always ask your parent or guardian first.
- Always ask the dog's owner before petting their dog.
- When it's okay to pet the dog, hold your hand out calmly, with your palm facing down.
- Let the dog come to you, don't move toward the dog.
- Don't make sudden movements or noises, stay calm.
- Let the dog sniff you.
- If the dog stays by you, gently pet them under the chin.
- Never pet a strange dog on the top of their head.

BE A TREE!

If a dog jumps on you or a strange dog comes up to you, Be a Tree!

- Stand still.
- Drop anything you are holding.
- Fold your branches (arms) across your chest and tuck your leaves (hands) in your armpits.
- Tuck your chin down.
- Stare at your roots (feet). Don't make eye-contact with the dog.
- Don't move.
- Don't run away.
- Don't scream.
- Don't move your arms.

If the dog goes away, slowly walk backwards away from the dog.
Move towards an adult or into a familiar building (like your house or school).
If the dog comes back, become a tree again!



BE A ROCK!

- If a dog knocks you over, Be a Rock!
- Don't try to get up.
- Drop everything you're holding.
- Stay on the floor and roll into a ball, like a rock!
- Roll onto your front, not your back.
- Tuck your chin to your chest.
- Cover your neck with your hands.
- Keep your elbows tucked in.
- Fold your knees to your chest.
- Make yourself as tight as possible, and as strong as a rock!
- Don't make noises and keep still.
- Don't move until the dog leaves.
- Then find an adult.