

dog greeting safety

with Doodle, Noodle, and Scooter

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Always remember to...
take a **P.A.W.S.**

Pause and ask permission

Approach slowly

Wait for the sniff

Start with a scritch



Hi, I'm Scooter!

I love other dogs and meeting new human friends. My owners always make sure to have me on a leash when we go for walks.

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→ **P**ause and ask permission

Approach slowly

Wait for the sniff

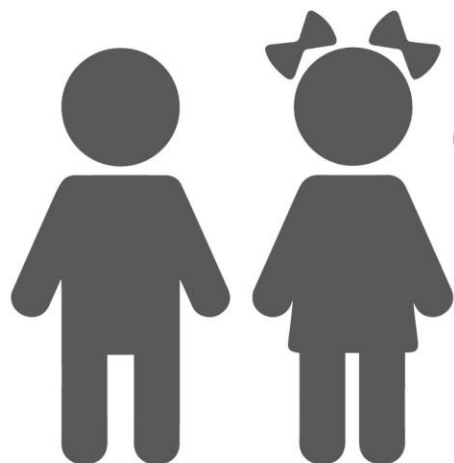
Start with a scritch



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Pause and ask permission

*Scooter's owner is confident
that Scooter will enjoy attention
from new people.*



Excuse me,
can we pet
your dog?



Of course!
Thank you
for asking!



Always remember to...
take a P.A.W.S.



Pause and ask permission



Approach slowly

Wait for the sniff

Start with a scratch



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Approach slowly

*Don't forget this step - **even if an owner is certain their dog will do well with new people.***

Scooter
loves new
people!



Always remember to...
take a P.A.W.S.

- ✓ **P**ause and ask permission
- ✓ **A**pproach slowly
- **W**ait for the sniff
- S**tart with a scritch

Wait for the sniff

*Dogs get to know you through your **scent**. Extend your hand and allow the dog plenty of time to sniff.*



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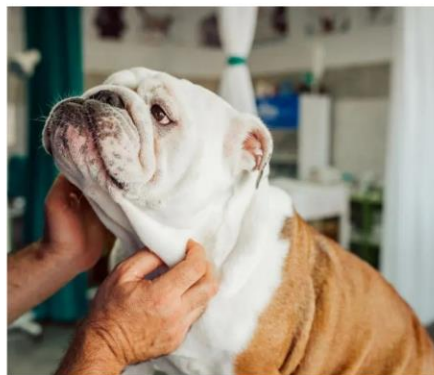
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Start with a scratch

If the dog seems comfortable with your scent, you have the go ahead to touch them! **Try scratching in the neck area and under the chin.**





Hi, I'm Doodle!

I love to meet new people of all ages, but I
don't like other dogs very much.
I prefer all the attention on me!

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Pause and ask permission

Approach slowly

Wait for the sniff

Start with a scratch

Pause and ask permission

Doodle's owner knows his dog doesn't normally do well with other dogs and politely declines your request. It is best for you both to retreat to different parts of the park.



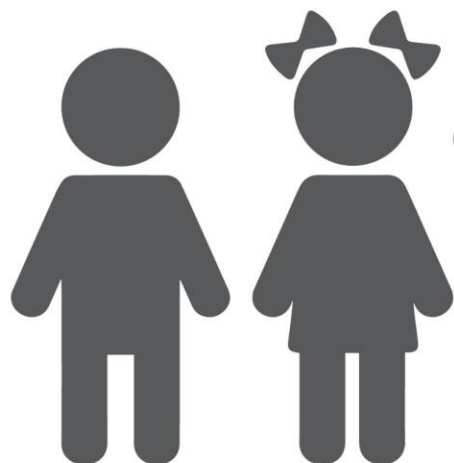
Excuse me,
can we pet
your dog?

Not today,
my dog
doesn't like
other dogs.



Pause and ask permission

Doodle's owner is confident that Doodle will enjoy attention from new people - that don't have a dog with them.

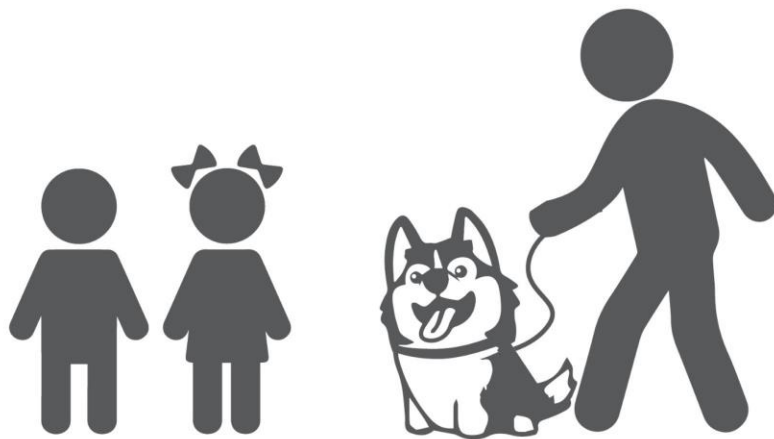


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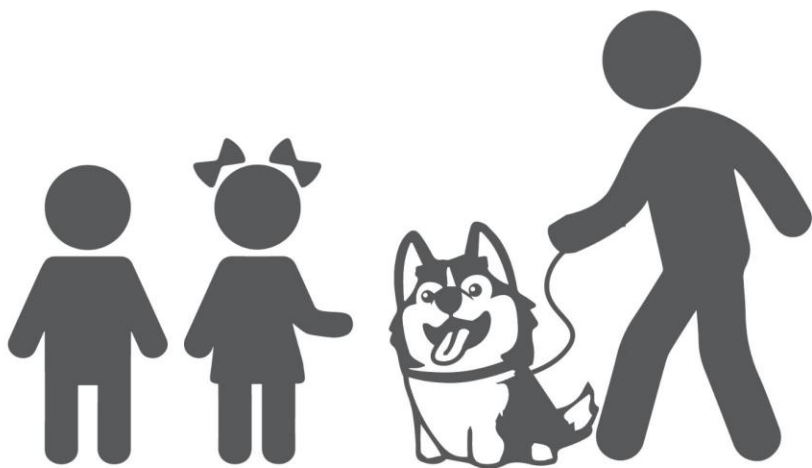
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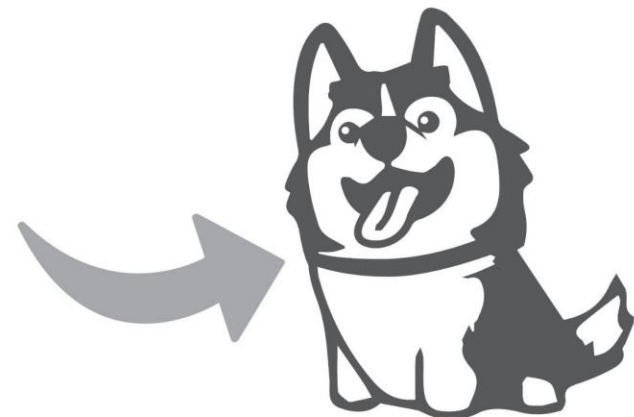
Approach slowly



Wait for the sniff



Start with a scratch





Hi, I'm Noodle!

I'm a sweetheart, but I'm nervous around new people. I'd rather stick close to my family and make sure they're safe.

Always remember to...
take a **P.A.W.S.**

Pause and ask permission

Approach slowly

Wait for the sniff

Start with a scratch

Pause and ask permission

Noodle's owner knows that Noodle is nervous around new people and politely declines your request.



Things to remember...

- Dogs have a different body language than we do.
- Always trust and listen to the dog's owner. They know their dog best.
- If you see an unleashed dog, it is best to not approach that dog. If there is not an owner around, tell your parents to call the local humane society or animal control.

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