

# Learn to speak Dog With PDSA...

Since dogs can't speak words, their body will say if they're frightened or worried or happy to play.



## What are these Dogs telling us?

These dogs are all showing signs of not being happy and are telling you to leave them alone...

Half-moon eyes



Eyes bulging and fixed stare. Showing teeth. Ears back



Covering with head down and ears back



Licking lips and mouth closed

## Dog rules

If you see any of the above signs, walk away from the dog

- Dogs prefer to be stroked gently rather than being held or kissed and cuddled
- **NEVER** touch a sick or injured dog, even if you know it really well
- **ALWAYS** ask the owner before approaching a dog you don't know
- **NEVER** take food or toys from dogs or wake them when they're sleeping.



This Dog is happy to Play

- Wiggly body
- Ears up (not forward)
- Head high
- Relaxed face and mouth slightly open
- Wagging tail
- Making eye contact - but not staring

**Remember - A happy and relaxed dog is a wiggly dog...**

## Lets find out how to keep safe around Dogs...



### Let sleeping dogs lie

When dogs are sleeping they want to be left alone. Even if they're awake on their bed, leave them be until they move themselves.



### A dog's dinner

If a dog's eating, either their dinner or a chew treat, they should be left alone - as they may think you're trying to steal their food!



### Pooch playtime

If a dog's got a toy in his mouth or nearby, don't try to take it away, as they can be protective of their toys.

# QUIZ: Be Dog Safe



Take our quiz and see if you know how to stay safe

**1**



**Petting gently**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**4**



**Staring at the dog or approaching it head on**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**7**



**Hugging, kissing and patting roughly**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**10**



**Leaning over or towards the dog**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**13**



**Petting the dog when he looks relaxed and comes up to you**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**16**



**Approaching sideways and avoiding direct eye contact**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**2**



**Interacting with unfamiliar dogs, especially if they are tied up**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**5**



**Reaching your hand out for the dog to sniff**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**8**



**Rushing towards the dog**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**11**



**Asking if you can interact first**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**14**



**Approaching slowly (at a relaxed walk)**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**3**



**Letting the dog approach in their own time**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**6**



**Standing a safe distance away so that you are not a threat**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**9**



**Not petting the dog if he looks nervous or tense**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**12**



**Reaching in or towards the dog's car**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**15**



**Staying outside the dog's bubble and presenting your side to the dog**

Right way?  
 Wrong way?

**Check your answers at the bottom of the page.**

Which answers did you get right?

Did you choose the wrong answer for any of these? If so, take another look.

Why not ask your family and friends to do the quiz too?



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