

COMMON CANINE COURTESIES



LOOSE DOG ETIQUETTE...

If you see a loose dog,
DO NOT go up to it.
Instead, walk away
slowly and quietly.



Never run away from
a dog! Dogs love to
chase things.

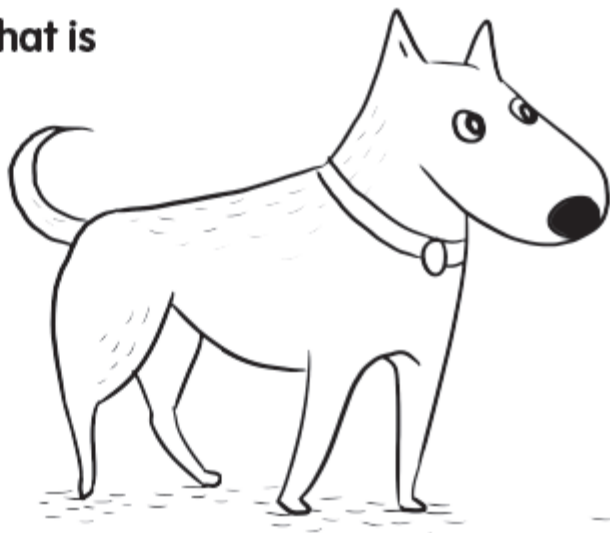




If a loose dog approaches you, stand still, be quiet, & do not stare at the dog. The dog might sniff you...



... but then he will move on to something that is more exciting.



TO MEET SOMEONE'S DOG...

**Ask the owner if you
can pet their dog.**



**Do not rush over to the
dog and try to pet it.**





HERE, BOY!

**Instead, ask the dog
to come over to you.**



**If the dog does not come
to you, he may be saying,
"Please don't pet me."**



**If the dog comes over to you,
avoid reaching your hand
out for the dog to sniff.**



**Instead, pet him gently on
the side, back, or chest.**

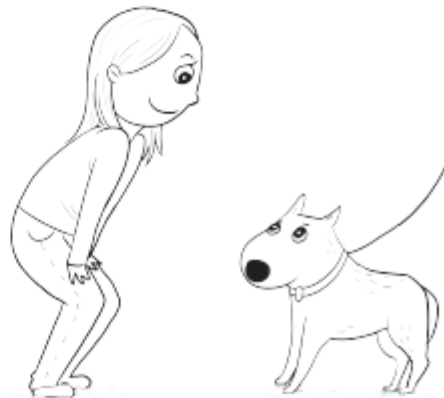


Be careful not to reach over the dog's head. This can be scary for him.



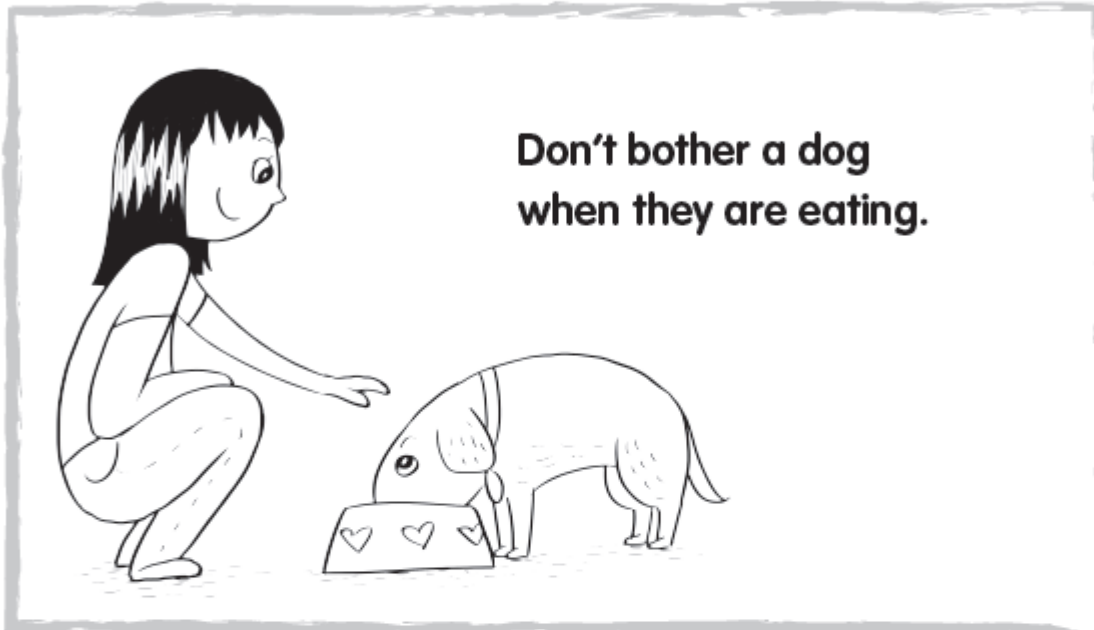
Instead, stand or kneel beside the dog when you pet it.

Avoid staring at a dog as this can be threatening to them.

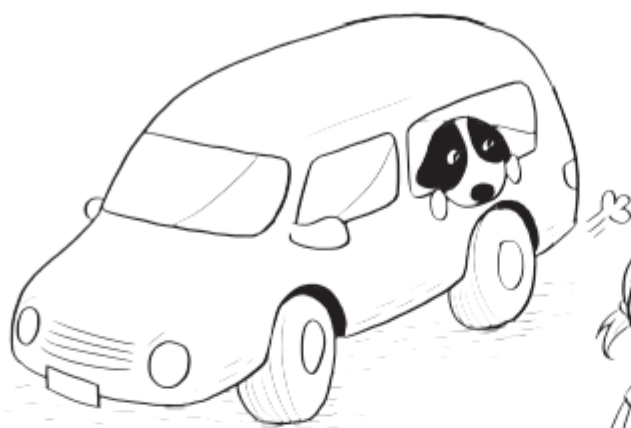


SHOWING GOOD MANNERS...

Dogs believe they own things, like their toys, food and bed... even the yard where they live.







**If you see a dog in
a car or truck, walk
around it at a safe
distance.**



Never try to pet the dog.



**If you see a dog tied up,
do not try to pet it.**





When a dog growls at you, it is his way of saying back-off, or I need some space. Stop what you are doing and leave the dog alone.



Dogs need to get exercise, just like you.

This is a fun way to spend time with your pet.



It is important for dogs to learn new things, just like you. Use treats and praise to tell them they did a good job.



WAYS THAT YOU CAN HELP ANIMALS:

1. Encourage your friends to be nice to all animals.
2. Raise money or collect supplies to help homeless pets.
3. Adopt your next pet from a shelter.



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