



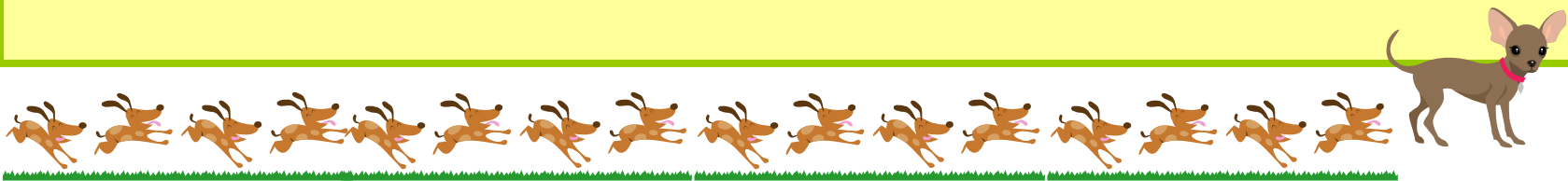
# Child Safety

## Prevent Dog Bites



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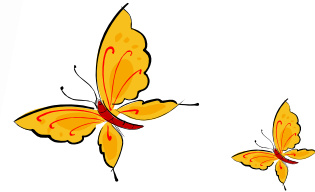
- Most dogs are friendly and enjoy meeting new people, but even a friendly dog can bite sometimes.
- When people are bitten, it is usually by a dog that they know.
- Many times the bite is accidental, but sometimes a dog may bite on purpose because it is scared or mad.
- Some dogs bite to protect things like their food, favourite toys, or because you are on their property.
- It's important that you know how to act around dogs so that you won't get bitten.
- Remember . . .



Never make loud noises around me or run from me. I might try to catch you. This can be very dangerous, because I could hurt you and not mean too.



Never play roughly  
with me. I can get too  
excited. If I am caring  
for my babies, please  
leave me alone.

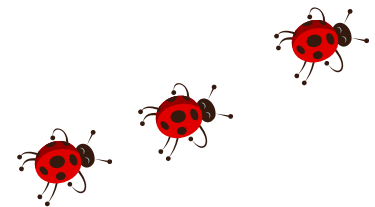




Watch out for my  
body language. If I  
am barking,  
growling, showing  
teeth, or my ears  
are up, be aware.

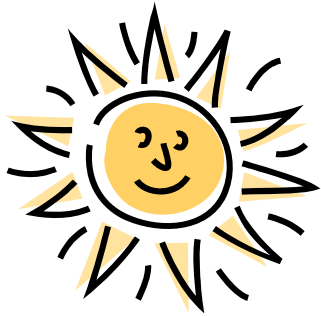


Please don't bother  
me when I am  
eating!



Make sure you do not  
try to comfort me if I  
am frightened or  
injured. Tell an adult  
you trust who will  
know how to help me.





Please NEVER,  
EVER tease  
me, or pull my  
ears or tail!





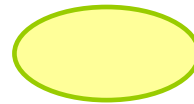


Always ask for  
permission from  
my owner before  
petting me.





If it's ok to pet me, always hold your hand out first and let me sniff it. This way I will get to know you first.



Remember - if you  
treat me right, I  
can be a good  
friend!



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