

Dog-Smart Kid Quiz

For toddlers through school-age kids, it is important to teach them basic dog safety to protect them and the dogs. And kids learn best through practice!



Question: Who do we need to ask to say hi to a dog?

Answer: We ask an adult and we ask the dog!

Why for Parents: Not all dogs want to be greeted or petted. The dog might not be in the mood to play and the owner of a dog will be able to let you know ahead of time to not approach their dog.

Question: How do we say hi to a dog?

Answer: We call them over and let them sniff you!

Why for Parents: Dogs can be shy and prefer to approach people and kids then having people approach them first.

Question: When a dog is eating their food or chewing a toy, do we go up to them or do we leave them alone?

Answer: We leave them alone!

Why for Parents: Some dogs don't want to share their food or toys and if you approach them while eating or playing they may growl or bite to protect it.

Question: If a dog is sleeping, do we go up to them or do we leave them alone?

Answer: We leave them alone!

Why for Parents: No one likes to be bothered when they are asleep. A dog who is startled while sleeping may snap or bite.

Question: Should we climb, lie on, or ride a dog?

Answer: No, we might hurt or scare the dog!

Why for Parents: Climbing, laying on, riding or even hugging a dog can cause the dog pain, scare them, or startle them. When dogs are surprised, in pain, or feel trapped it might lead to a bite.

