

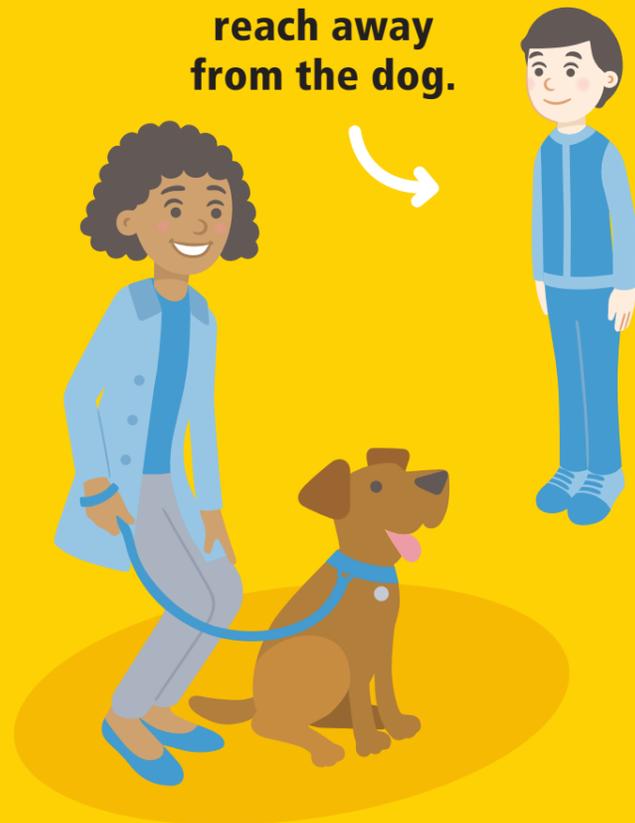
Be Dog Smart

How to say hello to a dog...

It's important to remember that not all dogs will want to be stroked

- 1** Approach slowly, calmly and quietly from the side of the dog.

Stay further than arm's reach away from the dog.



- 2** Ask the owner if it is okay to stroke their dog. Wait for the owner to respond.

If the owner says 'no':

Move away calmly and quietly.

If the owner says 'yes':

Stand at the side of the dog calmly and quietly.

Keep your arms by your sides.

Say 'hello' quietly.

Wait for the dog to approach you.



- 3** **If the dog does not approach you:**

Move away calmly and quietly.

If the dog approaches you (and remains there):

Stay at the dog's side.

Stroke them along their side or shoulder.

Stroke slowly and gently in the direction of their fur.



- 4** **If the dog moves away at any point:**

Move away calmly and quietly.

