

DOG BITE PREVENTION: Variation Version Instructor Guide

Materials Needed

- **Power Point Presentation**
- If the school allows it, you may bring a handler with a calm, gentle dog.
- **Bookmarks**

Presenter Information

- If you are a veterinarian or a technician, wear scrubs or a lab coat
- The presentation takes 25-35 minutes

Presentation Instructions

Introduction

Slides 1: Program name/logo. At this slide, introduce yourself and tell the students that you are there to teach them about how to be safe around dogs.

Lesson One: Safe and Unsafe around dogs

Slides 2-4: Being safe around dogs is important.

Slides 5-7: Safe and Unsafe with a dog

Slides 8-15: Times when you should never pet a dog

Lesson Two: Dog Body Language

Slides 16-21: Interpreting dog body language

Slide 22: Quiz

Slide 23: Scared

Slide 24: Happy

Slide 25: Mean

Slide 26: Scared

Slide 27: Mean

Slide 28: Happy

Lesson Three: How to safely pet a dog

Slides 29-33: The appropriate way to pet a dog

Lesson Four: What to do if a strange dog runs up to you

Slides 34-38: STAND LIKE A TREE, LIE LIKE A LOG

Slide 39: Thanks for being a great audience. You could stop here, or advance to the analytical thinking quiz.

Lesson Five: Analytical thinking and dog bite facts quiz

Slides 40-49: Quiz

Slide 41: B.) Try to call him off the couch. Never try to pull or move a dog off furniture. They can be territorial and can bite

Slide 42: B.) Kids that are bit by dogs. It is the 5th most common reason children visit the ER.

Slide 43: A.) Let him have it. Never try to grab something, especially food from a dog's mouth

Slide 44: B.) Get and adult and try to distract them with a loud noise. Never try to break up a dogfight, you might get bit

Slide 45: A.) To the face

Slide 46: B.) No. This dog looks scared. He has fish eyes, and his ears are back

Slide 47: A.) 4.7 million

Slide 48: B.) No. Never pet a dog that is tied out

Slide 49: B.) Clap your hands and call him to you. Never pet a dog that is sleeping. You could startle him and he could bite.

Slide 50: A.) Go home and tell your parents or C.) Call Animal Control. Never pet a strange dog. If the dog is chasing you, stand still and put your bike in-between you and the dog. Back slowly away from the dog if you need to. Don't look at the dog.

Slide 51: Great job! End of the presentation. Leave students with **Bookmarks**. If you bring a live dog, this is the time to allow students to come up and pet the dog, demonstrating how to safely approach and interact with him.

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