

Directly to Kids who can Read

If you want to have a good relationship with dogs -
Here are the Rules

Number 1.

Leave them alone when they are eating or sleeping. Imagine if people were annoying you if you were trying to eat or sleep? How would you feel? Well, it's the same for dogs.

Number 2.

When you go over to your friend's house. No matter how close you are as friends, never let yourself into their house on your own, if you know they have a dog. Even if you know the dog. Or maybe you don't know whether they have a dog or not. Some dogs will see you as an intruder, and they may be fearful, or feel they need to protect the house or the people inside.

Number 3.

If you're jumping around being crazy and the dog is getting so excited that he starts to bark, make noises, nip at you or grab at things - STOP immediately. Take a deep breath and calmly and quietly go to another room or another place where the dog can't get to.

Number 4.

If you drop food accidentally around your friend's dog, and the dog gets to it first. Tell an adult before approaching the dog. It might be something that will make the dog sick. Never try to take food from a dog yourself, even if it's your own dog.

Rule 5.

Until you are older, always make sure there is an adult around if you are playing with any dog.

Rule 6.

Always be kind. Being unkind to any animal is never cool. Don't hurt them, tease them or be mean to them, ever.

Friendships that last a lifetime aren't built immediately, it takes time.

If you follow these few simple rules, all the time, you will have great fun with dogs, and they will have great fun with you too.

