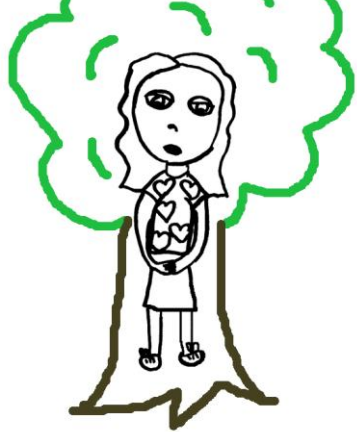


# Protect yourself from...

## dog bites.

### Be a Tree



#### Be safe around a strange dog.

1. STOP!
2. Fold your branches (hands).
3. Watch your roots grow (feet).
4. Count in your head until the dog goes away or help comes.
5. If knocked over by a dog, roll into a ball and lie still – be still like a log.

Protect yourself from dog bites when you are around a dangerous dog that is running loose, growling, crouching, or warning you to stay away by holding its tail between his legs or wagging its tail slowly. If you feel afraid around a strange dog for these – or any other reasons...BE A TREE.



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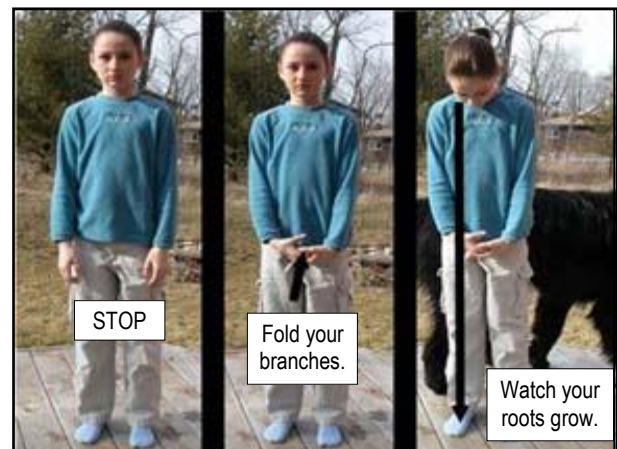
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#### Be safe with dogs you know.

- Be gentle and calm.
- Play hide and seek.
- Play fetch.
- Sit beside your dog.
- Rub his chest or scratch him on the side of the neck.
- Talk to him.

#### DO NOT...

- Do not hug or kiss a dog on the face.
- Do not play "chase me" or "tug of war" games.
- Do not lean over or step over a dog – go around him.
- Do not bother a dog who is sleeping, eating, is hurt or has puppies.
- Do not hit a dog or poke him with a stick.
- Do not pull a dog's ears, tail or fur.
- Do not dress a dog up in play clothes.
- Do not run and shout around a dog.
- Do not run away from a dog screaming.



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