



Listen to a **GROWL!**

A growl means the dog is **not** okay right now.



Dogs can't talk with words, so they use sounds and their body to tell us how they feel.

A **GROWL** is a warning. It means, "Please give me space."



What a Growl Means

A dog might growl when...



He is protecting something he likes (food, toys, or a bed).



He is scared or feels nervous.



He feels too close to someone.



He is saying, "Please back away."

What to Do

If you hear a dog growl...

1 STOP.

whatever you are doing.



2 GIVE SPACE.

Slowly back away. Do not run.



3 BE QUIET.

No yelling, no screaming.



Shhh...

4 TELL AN ADULT.

Let a grown-up know so they can help.



Remember:



Be kind to dogs.



Respect their space.



Dogs are friends!



You can help keep everyone safe!

