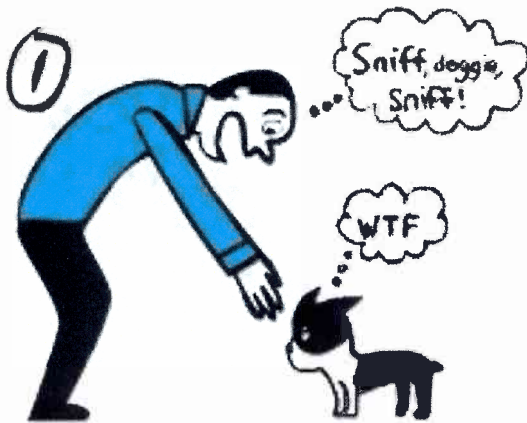


# HOW NOT TO GREET A DOG

Most people do this stuff and it stresses dogs out so they BITE!  
 I don't care how cute you (or your kid) think Boogie is. Please show him some respect.



**DON'T**  
 Lean over the dog & stick your hand in his face



**DON'T**  
 Lean over the dog & stick your hand on top of his head



**DON'T**  
 Grab or Hug him



**DON'T**  
 Stare him in the eye  
 (This is an adversarial gesture)



**DON'T**  
 Squeal or shout in his face



**DON'T**  
 Grab his head and kiss it  
 (This is an invasion of space)

Doing this to a dog who doesn't know you is like a perfect stranger giving you a great big hug and kiss in an elevator. Wouldn't that creep you out? And wouldn't you have the right to defend yourself?

## THE CORRECT WAY:



- \* No Eye contact
- \* Let the dog approach you in his own time
- \* Keep either your SIDE or BACK towards the dog (non-threatening posture)



- \* Pet or stroke him on the SIDE of his face or body. Or on his back.