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How to Be Safe with Dogs



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Today we are going to the dog shelter
to learn how to be safe with dogs.
I am excited, because I love dogs!





When we get to the shelter, we see lots of different dogs. Some look nervous, but others are very excited to see us! We meet Julia, a volunteer, and she shows us around.

“Never bother dogs when they are eating,” says Julia. “Some dogs will think you are trying to take their food, and they won’t be happy,” she says.



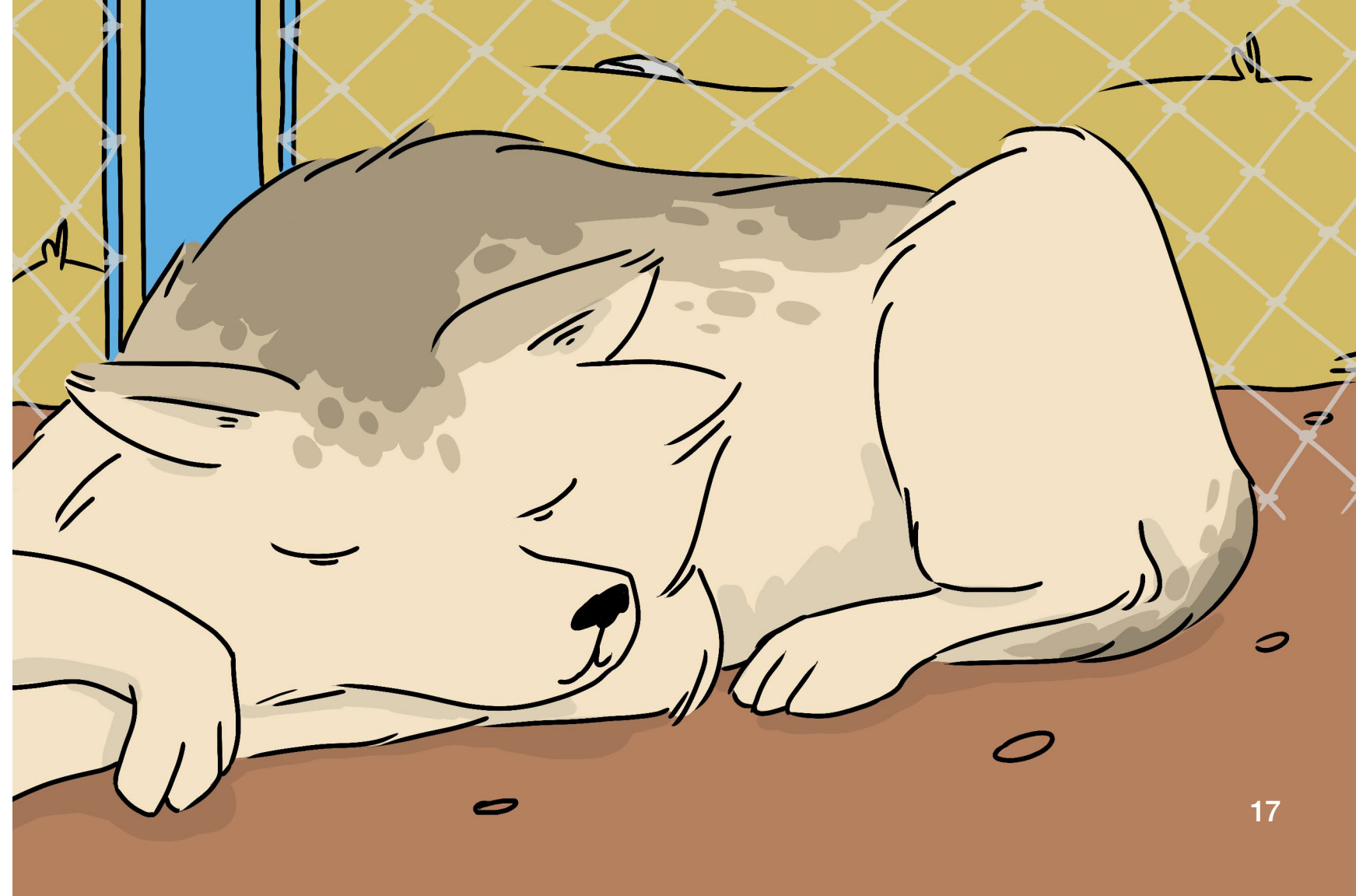


She takes a small dog out from a cage.
“Always ask an adult before petting
someone else’s dog,” she says. She lets us
pet the little dog. He is so cute!

“Do not put your face right up to a dog’s face,” Julia says. “Just like you may not like when people get too close to you, dogs are the same way,” she says.



“He also doesn’t like when people touch his tail and ears. Most dogs do not like this either,” Julia says.





“Another thing that most dogs do not like is when people shout at them. Use a calm voice when speaking to a dog,” Julia says.

After the tour, we get to play with a few friendly dogs. It is lots of fun!





Today we learned that dogs can be lots of fun,
but we need to be careful around them.
Knowing what to do to stay safe is very important.

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