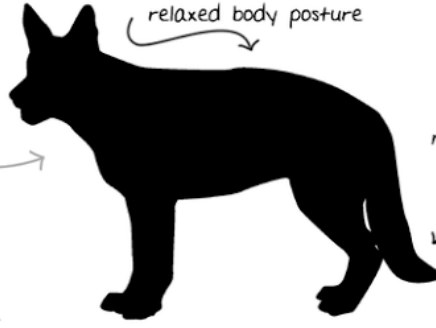


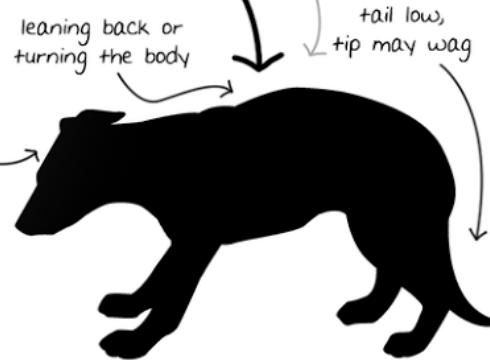
# DOG TO ENGLISH TRANSLATION CHART

This is the dog you'll want to pet. He's calm, neutral, and relaxed. There is no tension in his body and he's probably panting happily and waiting for you to come over and just say "hi".



**CALM & NEUTRAL**

This dog is uncomfortable or doesn't know what's going on. It's best not to pet him.

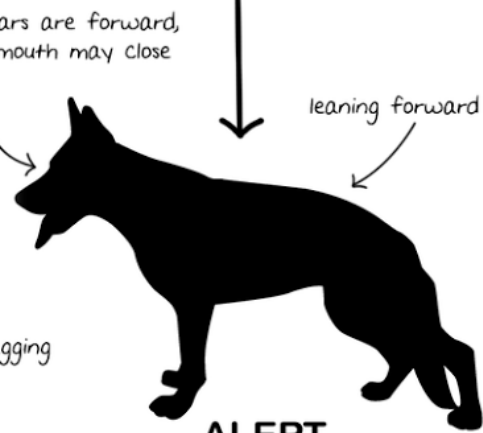


**ANXIOUS & NERVOUS**

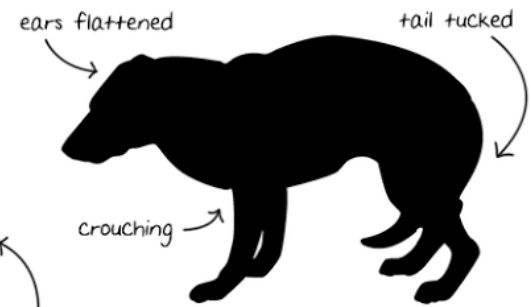


**RELAXED**

He may just be really interested in what's going on.

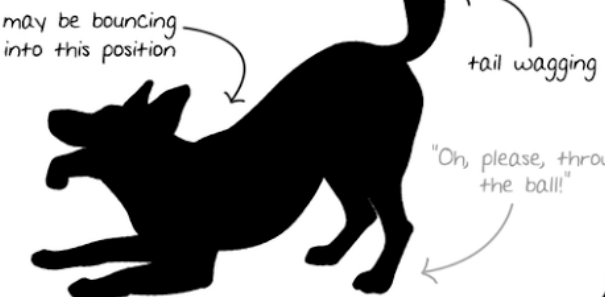


**ALERT**



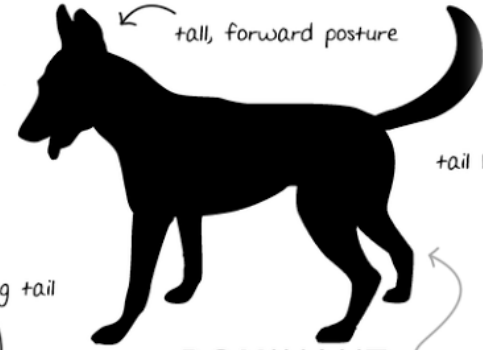
**FRIGHTENED**

This dog may bite to "defend" himself.



**PLAYFUL**

The Play Bow



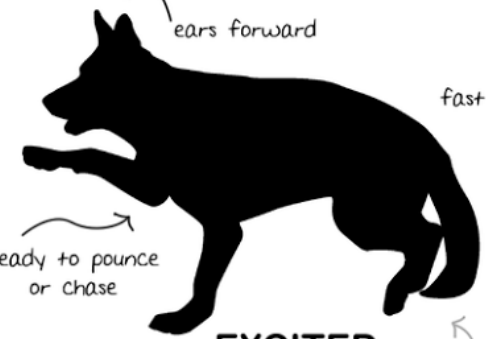
**DOMINANT**

Toward another dog: "I'm in charge!"



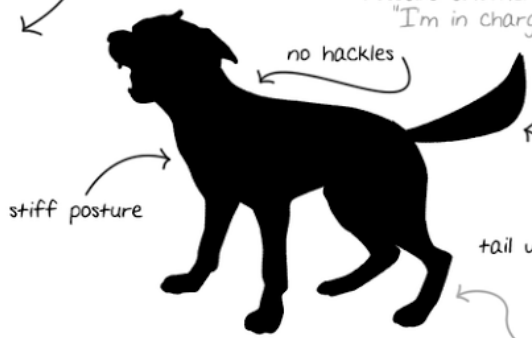
**SUBMISSIVE**

"I give up, don't hurt me" pose



**EXCITED**

An overly excited dog may jump up, knock you over, scratch you with his paws, or even nip you with his teeth.



**AGGRESSIVE**

Don't run away from an aggressive dog. Stand still ("be a tree") and look away.

# Body Language of Fear in Dogs



**Slight Cowering**



**Major Cowering**

---

## More Subtle Signs of Fear & Anxiety



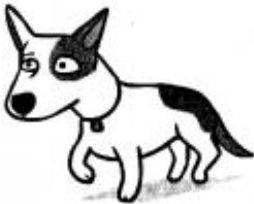
**Licking Lips**  
when no food nearby



**Panting**  
when not hot or thirsty



**Brow Furrowed, Ears to Side**



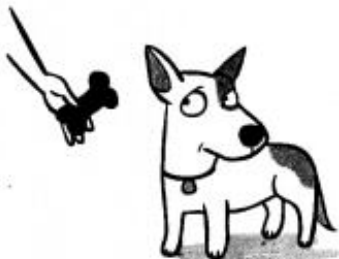
**Moving in Slow Motion**  
walking slow on floor



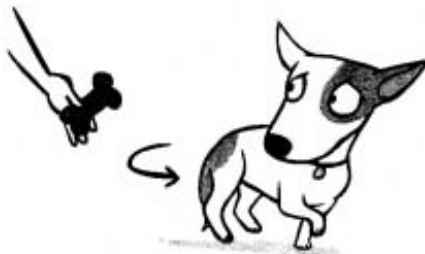
**Acting Sleepy or Yawning**  
when they shouldn't be tired



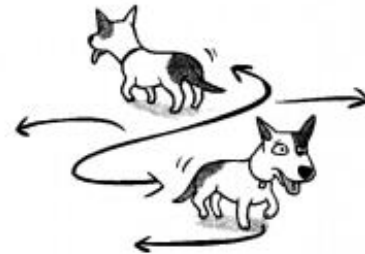
**Hypervigilant**  
looking in many directions



**Suddenly Won't Eat**  
but was hungry earlier



**Moving Away**



**Pacing**

# TALKING DOG

Dogs communicate using body language more than they do vocally. Here's a quick guide to get a good idea of what your dog is telling you. Look at the whole of the dog: head, face, body and tail to get a more accurate idea of what the dog is saying.

## FEARFUL / ANXIOUS / STRESSED

**In all cases, respect the dogs need for space and offer signs of appeasement and peace:** See the Doggy Dos and Don'ts poster

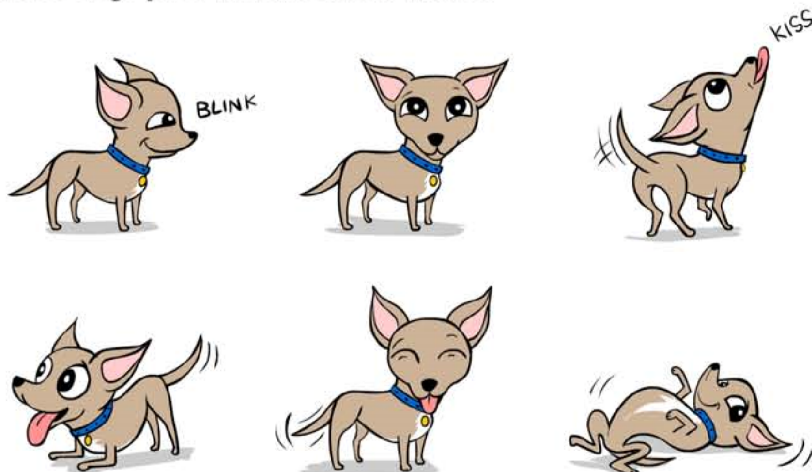


If not read correctly, stress, anxiety and fear often lead to behaviour commonly termed "aggressive", as the dog attempts to make it clearer that they are uncomfortable: raised hackles are a sign of fear:



## CONTENT / HAPPY / SOCIAL

**These dogs pose no immediate threat.**



### TAIL POSITIONS

tucked



in line with spine



high and rigid



low and wagging slowly



### TAIL POSITIONS

relaxed



high and wagging quickly



casually at 45 degrees



Brought to you by **JezRose** canine behaviour specialist

For further resources and information on dog training and behaviour, see [www.JezRose.co.uk](http://www.JezRose.co.uk)

Copyright 2011 Jez Rose. All rights reserved.

# HOW TO UNDERSTAND YOUR DOG'S BODY LANGUAGE



STARRING **RUSTY** THE DOG →



 <p>WHAT THE HECK WAS THAT? (SUSPICIOUS)</p>	 <p>LET'S GO! (ALERT)</p>	 <p>OH NO YOU DIDN'T! (ANGRY)</p>	 <p>I'M IN NEED OF A SPA DAY (STRESSED)</p>
 <p>HE SAID WHAAT? (CURIOUS)</p>	 <p>PUPPIES, KITTENS AND RAINBOWS! (OVERJOYED)</p>	 <p>I'M TRYING TO SHAKE IT OFF (STRESS RELEASE)</p>	 <p>BECAUSE I'M HAPPY (HAPPY)</p>
 <p>YOU ARE MY QUEEN (RESPECT)</p>	 <p>I AM NOT VIBING WITH THIS (THREATENED)</p>	 <p>I NEED MY MOMMY (ANXIOUS)</p>	 <p>STAY OUT OF MY BUBBLE (NEED SPACE)</p>
 <p>I'M IN CHILL MODE (RELAXED)</p>	 <p>LET'S BE BFFs (FRIENDLY &amp; POLITE)</p>	 <p>YEAH, YOU'RE PRETTY COOL (FRIENDLY)</p>	 <p>I'VE ONLY GOT PUPPY EYES FOR YOU (PRETTY PLEASE)</p>
 <p>GOOD MORNING, MY WONDERFUL MAMA (HELLO, I LOVE YOU)</p>	 <p>GIRL, WHERE'S MY CHOW? (FEED ME)</p>	 <p>YOU'RE PRETTY MUCH THE BEST HUMAN EVER (CONTENT)</p>	 <p>OH MY GOSH, I LOVE YOU. OH MY GOSH, LIKE SO MUCH! (I LOVE YOU, DON'T STOP)</p>

BROUGHT TO YOU BY

sheknows

# DOGGIE LANGUAGE

starring Boogie the Boston Terrier



ALERT



SUSPICIOUS



ANXIOUS



THREATENED



ANGRY



"PEACE!"  
look away  
head turn



STRESSED  
yawn



STRESSED  
nose lick



"PEACE!"  
sniff ground



"RESPECT!"  
turn & walk away



NEED SPACE  
whale eye



STALKING



STRESSED  
scratching



STRESS RELEASE  
shake off



RELAXED  
soft ears, blinky eyes



"RESPECT!"  
offer his back



FRIENDLY & POLITE  
curved body



FRIENDLY



PRETTY PLEASE  
round puppy face



"I'M YOUR LOVE BUG"  
belly rub pose



"HELLO I LOVE YOU!"  
greeting stretches



"I'M FRIENDLY!"  
play bow



"READY!"  
prey bow



"YOU WILL FEED ME"



CURIOUS  
head tilt



HAPPY  
(or hot)



OVERJOYED  
wiggly



"MMMM..."



"I LOVE YOU  
DON'T STOP"