Dog Behavior Facts

1) Never look directly into the eyes of a strange dog. In dog language, this is considered a challenge to fight.

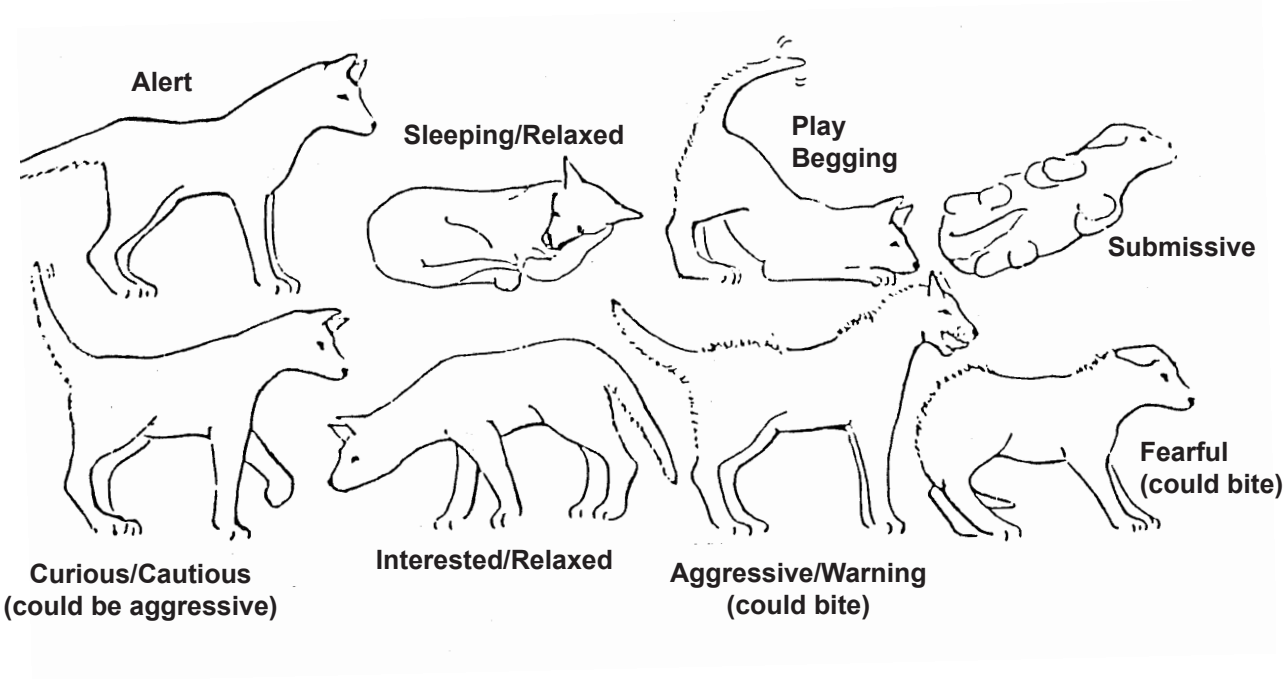
2) A wagging tail in NOT always a sign of friendliness. Often, a nervous, shy dog wags his tail.

3) Most dogs are very protective of whatever they consider to be their property. Be wary of approaching a dog in a car or a dog in someone's yard.

4) The area surrounding a dog's head is considered, by dogs, to be very personal. Do not put your hand up over the head of a dog you do not know — you may be asking to be bit.

5) Always have a dog sniff you first. Offer your hand, in a closed fist, at nose level for sniffing. Scent is a dog's way of "reading" about you.

Dog Body Language



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