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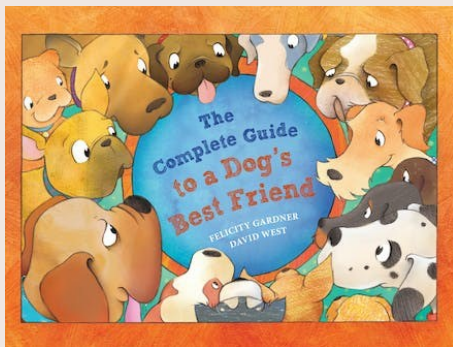
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## **The Complete Guide to a Dog's Best Friend**

**Felicity Gardner and David West**

A hilarious story to share with your children about how dogs see the world and the funny ways they think they are helping their human best friends.



### BEFORE READING...



- ▶ Find a quiet space to read together and look at the cover.
- ▶ Ask your child to help you count how many dogs they can see on the cover.
- ▶ Does your child know anyone who has a dog? Encourage them to describe the dog using adjectives: are they big or small? What colour are they? Are they cheeky? Noisy? Clever?

### WHILE READING...



- ▶ Laugh along with your child at the funny things the dogs do in the story.
- ▶ Look at the illustrations on each page. Ask your child how they might feel if a dog did any of these things? Would they think the dog was being helpful?
- ▶ Talk about what the dog might be thinking or feeling. Do they think this is how they help their humans?

### AFTER READING...



- ▶ Review the pages and talk about some of the funny things dogs do. Which was your child's favourite page? What "helpful" thing was the funniest?
- ▶ Look at the last page; how does a dog show how much they love their best friend? How is this different from how humans show love?

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