

IS YOUR K9 A LAND SHARK?



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HELP YOUR PUPPY FROM BECOMING JAWS

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HERE'S WHY YOUR PUPPY MAY BECOMING JAWS



TEETHING: BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12-16 WEEKS YOUR PUPPY CAN LOSE 24 TEETH AND BETWEEN 16-24 WEEKS CAN GAIN UP TO 42 TEETH, MAKING THIS THE PEAK OF BITING TENDENCIES.



LACK OF SLEEP: YOUR PUPPY REQUIRES 17-20 HOURS OF SLEEP A DAY!



TOO MUCH FREEDOM: YOUR PUPPY IS GETTING TOO MUCH ACCESS TO THEIR ENVIRONMENT AND TO YOU, WITHOUT HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF THE RULES AND EXPECTATIONS TO COEXIST.



FRUSTRATION/EXCITEMENT: OVERSTIMULATION CAN LEAD TO A PUPPY WHO IS UNABLE TO SETTLE AND CANNOT CALM THEMSELVES. CREATING A PUPPY WHO IS GOOD AT CHAOS.



ABSENCE OF HEALTHY OUTLET: PUPPY IS LACKING SELF-SOOTHING CHEWS, EXERCISE OR MENTAL STIMULATION SO USES WHAT IS AVAILABLE INSTEAD (SOCKS, DOORS, FURNITURE)



GENETIC PREDISPOSITION: SOME PUPPIES WILL HAVE MORE TENDENCY TO BITE MORE OFTEN THAN OTHERS. A BORDER COLLIE WILL HAVE MORE DRIVE TO BITE AT THE HEELS OR ANYTHING IN MOTION DUE TO THEIR HERDING INSTINCTS. A LABRADOR RETRIEVER IS BRED TO RETRIEVE THINGS AND WILL HAVE MORE OF A DESIRE TO CHEW OR GRAB.



DEFENSIVE: THROUGH CORRECTIONS, FEAR AND LACK OF CONFIDENCE YOUR PUPPY MAY FEEL THIS IS THE ONLY WAY TO DEFEND THEMSELVES.

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THROWING YOU THE LIFE RAFT:



TEETHING: PROVIDE LOTS OF FOOD AND TOY ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR PUPPIES. TRY FREEZING KONGS OR LICKIMATS FILLED WITH KIBBLE AND PEANUT BUTTER TO HELP THEM SOOTH THEIR MOUTH ACHES.



LACK OF SLEEP: MAKE SURE YOUR PUPPY HAS A QUIET, CALM PLACE TO RELAX, THAT WON'T DISTURB QUALITY OF SLEEP THROUGHOUT THE DAY.



TOO MUCH FREEDOM: TOO MUCH FREEDOM & ACCESS TO YOU LEADS TO MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE POOR DECISIONS. LIMIT ACCESS TO LARGE AREAS & UNSUPERVISED SITUATIONS. TEACH THEM BOUNDARIES IN CERTAIN AREAS AND STAY CONSISTENT.



FRUSTRATION/EXCITEMENT: WHEN YOU SEE YOUR PUPPY OVER EXCITED OR HAVING THE ZOOMIES; YOUR PUPPY DOESN'T NEED MORE EXERCISE, THEY NEED MORE CALMNESS OR SLEEP! PRACTICE CALMING EXERCISES AND ENCOURAGE A STATE OF A LOW AROUSAL.



ABSENCE OF HEALTHY OUTLET: PROVIDE YOUR PUPPY WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO BE A DOG. FIND SOMETHING THEY ENJOY THAT IS MENTALLY STIMULATING, CAN PROVIDE EXERCISE OR USE THEIR NATURAL INSTINCTS IN A POSITIVE WAY. CHANGE OUT WHAT IS AVAILABLE EVERY 3-4 DAYS. (CHEWING, SNIFFING, LICKING, SWIMMING)



GENETIC PREDISPOSITION: RESEARCH YOUR PUPPY'S BREED TENDENCIES & PLAY GAMES THAT ARE GOING TO HELP YOUR PUPPY MAKE BETTER DECISIONS, EVEN ALONGSIDE THEIR NATURAL IMPLUSES.



DEFENSIVE: IF YOUR PUPPY FEELS THEY ARE CORNERED OR STARTLED THEIR BEHAVIOR MAY BE OUT OF FEAR. IT IS CRUCIAL TO WORK ON CONFIDENCE BUILDING AND OPTIMISM GAMES THAT WILL HELP SUPPORT YOUR PUPPY AS THEY DEVELOP.