

INTRO TO THE FAMILY



Introducing your pet to YOUR CHILDREN

1 For the first meeting, allow your new pet to approach your children rather than the other way round.

2 Teach children about how to approach, stroke and handle cats and dogs and to treat them kindly.

3 Teach your children to be especially gentle with an older dog that may have impaired vision or hearing.



Introducing your pet to OTHER DOGS & CATS

1 Dog & Dog
Take two dogs out for a long walk together and introduce them on a neutral territory.

2 Dog & Cat
Put your dog's leash on and allow the cat the freedom to get out of the way or approach if your dog wishes.

3 Cat & Cat
Before introducing two cats, keep them in separate rooms, but allow each cat to investigate the other's room and bed without actually meeting.



Try to supervise all of your pets' encounters for the first few weeks to ensure a successful outcome.