



ADOPTABLE

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Tanya and her mother Geeta, decide to go to the park on a bright and sunny afternoon.



After playing, Tanya gets hungry, so she decides to have a sandwich while her mother visits the washroom.





The smell of the yummy sandwich attracts the hungry dog.  
He goes to Tanya, salivating and wagging his tail.



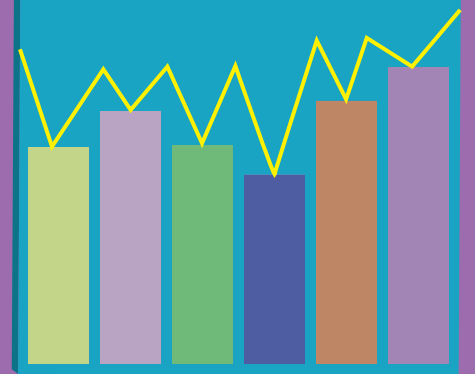
The dog, unable to control his hunger, goes for the sandwich but ends up biting Tanya's hand instead. Tanya screams in pain and fear. The dog gets scared and runs away.



Hearing Tanya's scream her mother comes rushing towards her and sits down to comfort her.

I told you not  
to play  
with street dogs.

I didn't play with  
him, he came to  
me and bit me.



Tanya's mother immediately takes Tanya to the doctor.

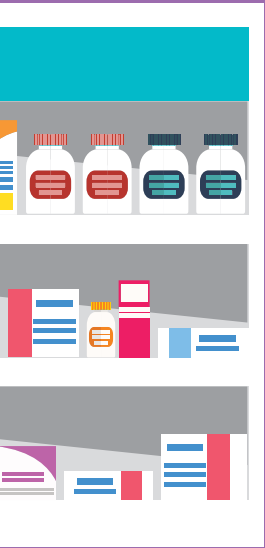
You need to get 4 shots since you were bitten by an unvaccinated stray dog.

I never want to play with dogs again!

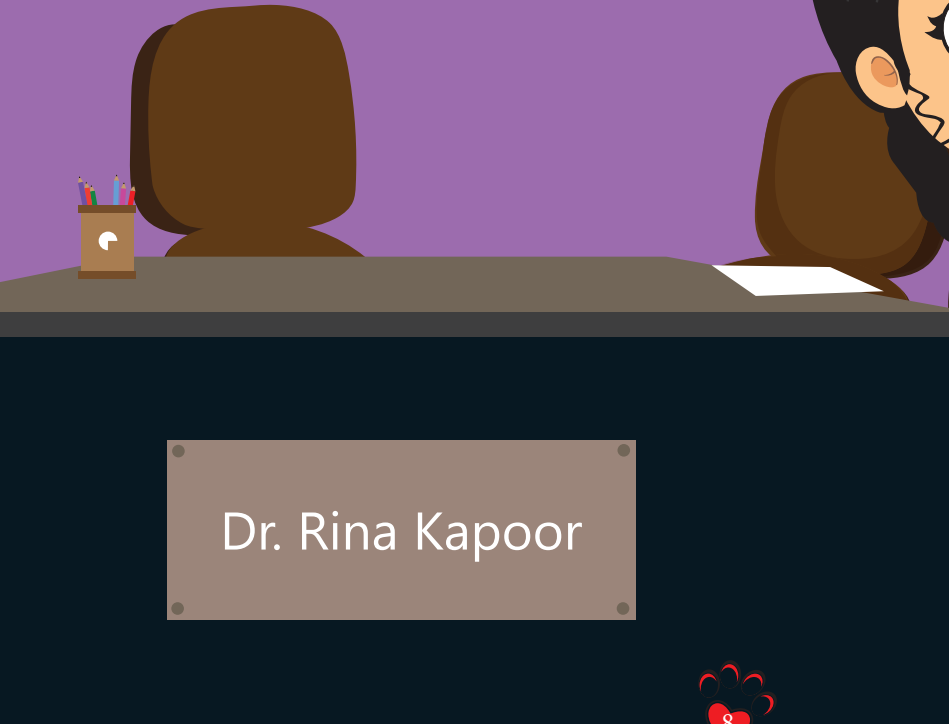


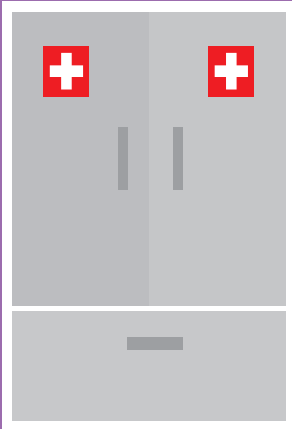
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Why are you giving her shots? I can't afford it. What is the worst that can happen if you don't give this shot?





Don't worry! Anti rabies shots are free at Govt. Hospitals. If I don't give her a shot, she could get infected with rabies!

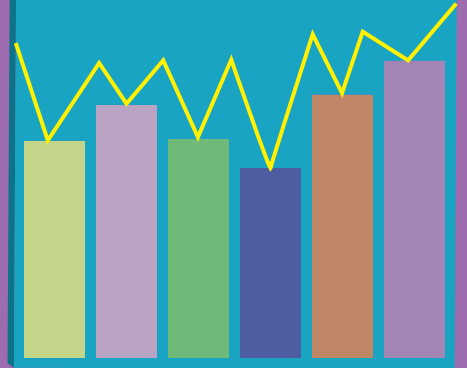
### Symptoms of Rabies

1. Fever with pain.
2. Burning sensation on the wound.
3. Dehydration.
4. Paralytic symptoms.

It takes approx 7-14 days for symptoms to start showing.



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Yes, but don't worry you can control and prevent rabies by vaccinating not only your pet dogs but stray dogs too. It is good for them and us. We should help them.

But dogs are bad!  
A dog bit me!  
Why should I help them?

Rabies?!?!?



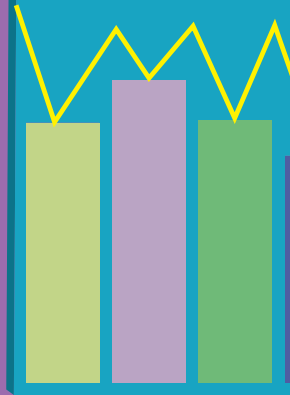
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All dogs are not bad. Most dogs fear us. Maybe the dog bit you in fear of you as most people mistreat them or maybe the dog was just hungry and bit you by mistake. Most dogs are friendly and gentle creatures.

And that's when Tanya realised that maybe she had misunderstood the situation and dogs in general.

I want to help them and try to prevent rabies.

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Tanya, Geeta, and Dr. Kapoor went to the park to vaccinate the stray dogs in an effort to prevent rabies. Tanya meets the same dog that bit her and decides to pet him.



He turned out to be extremely friendly so Tanya decided to adopt him!



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20 years later, Tanya is now a successful veterinarian. She still conducts her vaccination camps twice a month, and has now vaccinated over 5000 stray dogs.



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# What is RABIES?

Rabies is caused by a virus that affects the central nervous system, particularly causing inflammation in the brain. Domestic dogs, cats and rabbits, and wild animals, such as skunks, raccoons, and bats, are able to transfer the virus to humans via bites and scratches.

# How do we cure or prevent RABIES?

After being exposed to the rabies virus, you can have a series of injections to prevent an infection from setting in. Rabies immunoglobulin, which gives you an immediate dose of rabies antibodies to fight the infection, helps to prevent the virus from developing. Then, getting the rabies vaccine is the key to avoiding the disease. The rabies vaccine is given in a series of five shots over 14 days. If the animal is vaccinated, you can avoid the large round of rabies shots. However, if you aren't sure, the safest course of action is to take the preventive shots. Getting a rabies vaccination as soon as possible after an animal bite is the best way to prevent the infection. Doctors will treat your wound by washing it for at least 15 minutes with soap and water, detergent, or iodine. Then, they'll give you the rabies immunoglobulin and you'll start the round of injections for the rabies vaccine.

# What are the symptoms of someone who has RABIES?

It usually takes four to 12 weeks for a person to develop rabies symptoms once they're infected. However, rabies symptoms can develop in a few days as well. The initial onset of rabies begins with flu-like symptoms, including:

- Fever
- Muscle weakness
- Tingling
- Burning at Bite sight



## About Me

My name is Ananya Shroff and I am currently a Grade 12 student at Modern School Vasant Vihar as well as a proud owner of 4 beautiful dogs. As a Vegan, an environmentalist, and an animals right activist, I am truly passionate about the safety and well being of stray animals and hope to be a part of their journey towards a better home. Working with stray animals has not only resulted in my family adopting a stray dog, but has also solidified my love for animals and made me more cognisant of the number of homeless animals across Delhi. Additionally, through constant interactions with my neighbours, friends, and extended family members, I have noticed the general negative and hesitant attitude people have towards adopting and interacting with stray dogs. Thus, I founded The Adoptable Campaign.

## About Adoptable

I founded The Adoptable Campaign in 2017, as an initiative aimed at decreasing the barriers to animal adoption. Through providing the Antirabies vaccinations to stray dogs all over Delhi, we hope to decrease the stigma and negative attitudes towards stray animals, increasing their chances of finding loving homes. Adoptable has held 5 campaigns so far, where we have worked with a veterinarian to deliver rabies vaccinations to over 150 stray dogs in South Delhi.

If you are interested in volunteering with Adoptable or in having us hold a camp in your neighbourhood, please contact us.

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