

ADVENTURES of SPARKY

A Story of Love, Fun and
Responsibility

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of caring for a dog.

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1. The Day We Met Sparky

Choosing the Right Puppy

On a sunny Saturday morning, Molly and Max's parents announced that the day had finally come to choose their new furry friend.

They could barely contain their excitement.

Today, they were finally going to meet their new puppy!

They had talked about getting a dog for a long time, and now, the day had finally arrived.

★ ★
★ Today is a
★ Special Day



Choosing the Right Puppy

On the way to the shelter, Dad said,

“Remember, we need the right puppy for us.”

Max frowned. “What does that mean?”

“It means we must think about how the puppy lives, how active it is, how much space it needs, and if its personality fits our family,” Mom explained.

“I want a German Shepherd!” Max shouted.

“I want a sausage dog!” Molly giggled.

“Remember, choosing the right puppy is about finding the one that suits our lifestyle”



Choosing the Right Puppy

At the shelter, puppies were everywhere!
Some barked and bounced, others stayed shy.

“Let’s walk around,” said Dad.

“We’ll see which puppy fits us best.”

They met a Border Collie, full of energy.
Then a tiny Chihuahua, cute but shaky.

“She’s not right for us,” Dad said.

“YES!” shouted Max.

“Awww,” sighed Molly.



**“He’s fun, but
Border Collies need
a lot of exercise and
space to run”**

Choosing the Right Puppy

Then they met Sparky, a Golden Retriever pup. He wasn't too noisy or too shy.

Sparky wagged his tail gently at Molly and Max. He played with a ball, then rested quietly by their side.

“He'd love our backyard and hikes,” said Max.

“And he's calm for reading time,” said Molly.

Their parents smiled.

“Looks like Sparky is a great match.”

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Choosing the Right Puppy

The more time they spent with Sparky,
the more perfect he seemed.

He chased the ball happily,
then curled up quietly beside them.

Molly stroked his soft fur.

Max laughed as Sparky licked his hand.

“He’s playful when we play,” said Max.

“And gentle when we rest,” added Molly.

Mom and Dad nodded.

“Yes... Sparky fits just right.”

Their parents smiled.

“Looks like Sparky is a great match.”



"Sparky will be a perfect match for our family"

Choosing the Right Puppy

Days later, the shelter approved them.

“Ready to come home, Sparky?” Molly asked.

Sparky barked and jumped into the car.

“He’ll need love and patience,” said Mom.

“Regular walks, play, and quiet time,” said Dad.

Molly and Max nodded. They’d found balance—
Sparky’s needs and their days.

They smiled at their choice.

On the drive home, they talked.

A puppy must fit their life.



"Sparky will need regular walks and playtime"

Choosing the Right Puppy

At home, Sparky explored.

He sniffed corners, checked the kitchen, tried the sofa.

Then he curled on the rug with a happy sigh,

‘Yes, this place will do nicely!’

Molly and Max giggled and followed him.

They imagined adventures they would share.

From that day, Sparky was family.

Choosing the right puppy made their home happy.

It wasn't just a pet; it was the perfect match.



**"Taking the time to
choose the right
puppy made all
the difference"**

2. Play Time with Sparky

Sunshine filled the garden.

Today was Sparky's first playtime!

Sparky bounced and wagged. He ran in circles.

"I think someone's ready for fun!" said Molly.

Max held a ball. "Sparky, let's play fetch!"

Sparky dashed, grabbed it, then flopped to chew.

"Bring it back, Sparky!" laughed Molly.

Max reached for the ball.

Sparky nipped his fingers, just playing.

"Ow!" said Max.

"He's still learning
how to play the
right way"



Play Time with Sparky

Sparky looked up, head tilted. He didn't understand. Dad came outside and smiled. **“Everything okay?”** he asked.

“Sparky didn't mean it,” said Max.

“He nipped me grabbing the ball.” Molly stroked Sparky.

“How do we teach him?” Dad picked up a tug toy.

“Try this. It's safe for biting.” Molly offered the toy. Sparky grabbed it and pulled hard.

“Whoa, he's strong!” Molly laughed.

“A tug toy is great because it gives him something safe to grab onto”



Play Time with Sparky

Dad nodded. “If you need Sparky to drop something, trade with a treat.”

“Good boy, Sparky!” Max cheered, offering it. Sparky sniffed, then let the ball go.

Max held a treat. “Sparky, drop it!” Sparky released the ball.

Dad smiled. “Playing is fun, and we teach gentle.” Max tossed the ball.

Sparky brought it back and traded for a treat. “That’s much better!” said Max.

"if you ever need Sparky to drop something, use a treat as a trade"



Play Time with Sparky

The afternoon flew by: fetch, tug, and circles.

As the sun set, the sky glowed pink.

Mom opened the door. **“Come on, let’s get Sparky settled.”**

Molly yawned. **“We’ve had enough playtime.”**

It was more than fun—it was learning.

Sparky learned to fetch, trade, and let go.

Molly and Max learned too: patience and small rewards help.

Max grinned. **“Yeah... even Sparky looks worn out!”**



**“we all had
enough playtime
for today”**

Play Time with Sparky

Max flopped onto the rug. “I’m so tired.”

Sparky sighed and dreamed of running through long grass.

Minutes later, they were asleep, worn out.

Molly lay beside him. Sparky curled between them.

Mom peeked in, smiling. “This won’t do,” she whispered.

“Up to bed, you two. Sparky will be here in the morning - there’ll be more playtime tomorrow.”



Exhausted, happy,
and dreaming of
more playtime to
come

'Family'

3. Tidying Up After Sparky

After a few hours, the backyard was a mess. Toys were scattered across the grass. In the corner, Sparky left a surprise.

“Look at all the toys,” Molly sighed.

“And there’s a mess over there, too.”

“We need to tidy up for Sparky.”

Max pulled a face and groaned.

“Ew! Cleaning up after Sparky isn’t fun,” he said.

Mom laughed. “Sorry, Max. This is for Sparky, and lasts as long as Sparky does - Years!”



**“Sparky's made
a bit of a mess
over there too”**

Hello

Hello

Tidying Up After Sparky

“Looking after a puppy isn’t just play,” she said.
“It means cleaning up, even when it’s not nice.”

Max wrinkled his nose. “Ugh... I thought that part was only practice!”

Molly grinned. “Let’s make it a game.
I’m Toy Collector; you’re Poo Patrol Captain!”

Max puffed. “Poo Patrol Captain, reporting for duty!”

“Don’t forget to wash your hands, Poo Patrol!” Molly teased.
“A good Captain always does!” said Max.

**“ We should clean
these too, they're
all dirty”**



Tidying Up After Sparky

They filled a bucket and scrubbed Sparky's toys. Sparky watched. Mom smiled.

“Picking up after Sparky in public or at home, keeps everyone safe and shows you're responsible.” Mom said.

They refilled his bowl, swept the patio, and turned a yucky job into a team mission.

“A clean space is a happy, healthy space,” said Mom.

“Cleaning up is part of loving Sparky,” said Max.

They sat on the clean patio, feeling proud.



**A clean space is a happy
and healthy space**

Tidying Up After Sparky

After the toys dried, they put them in a box.

“Now we know where your toys are,” said Molly.

“Keeping our home clean makes play nicer,” she said.

From then on, they cleaned up each day.

Sparky wagged and licked, glad for their care.

Sparky looked on a little puzzled, but Hey...

he was happy.

“Cleaning up is part of loving and caring for Sparky”



4. Sparky's Routine

“Why doesn't he settle, Mom?” asked Max.

“Puppies need routines,” said Mom. “They help him feel safe and rest.” “We'll help you,” said Molly.

Sparky paced at night. “Let's make a chart,” said Max. “We'll build a plan,” said Dad. “Food, walk, then quiet time.”

“When he knows what's next, he'll relax,” said Mom. Sparky yawned. ‘If they have a plan, maybe I can rest.’

Mom smiled. “Consistency makes him feel cared for.”

“Puppies need routines to feel secure”



Sparky's Routine

Dad said, “Step one: meals. Same times help his body.” “Breakfast, lunch, dinner - same times,” said Molly.

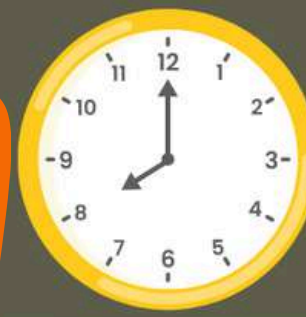
“And fresh water - always,” said Max.
Max set the bowl down. “Enjoy, buddy!”

Sparky crunched, then licked his whiskers and sat politely.

‘They remember me,’ he thought. ‘I feel safe.’

Sparky sat, eyes bright. ‘The bowl means care.’

“Feeding him at the same times each day will help his body clock”



Sparky's Routine

Sparky bounced into the morning, ears flapping.

'Morning air! Leaf news!'

After school, they walked by the pond.

"Step two: walks," said Dad, clipping the lead.

"Walks and potty breaks keep him comfy."

"Three times - morning, after school, and before bed."

"As evening comes, this walk tells his body it's sleep time," Mom whispered.

'Sun low. Feet slow. Bed soon,' Sparky thought.



**“Walks are important
for Sparky's exercise
and for potty breaks”**

Sparky's Routine

Max smoothed the blanket. **“Ready, pal?”**

Molly showed the brush. **“Relax time.”**

Dad set a soft toy. **“Something to cuddle.”**

“Step three: quiet time,” said Mom, dimming the lamp.

“Same order, every night.”

Sparky settled in his cosy corner.

Gentle brushing slowed his breathing.

“Goodnight, Sparky,” whispered the children.

Mom played soft music.

‘Lights low. House hush. My pack close,’ he thought, curling his paws.



“This will help signal to Sparky that it's time to settle down”

Sparky's Routine

After their evening walk, Sparky trotted to his bed, waiting for brush and toy. **“Look—he’s doing it!”** said Max.

‘Walk, brush, cuddle, music, sleep.’ Sparky thought.

“He knows what to expect,” said Molly.

“He feels safe and loved.”

Sparky circled and sighed. **“It’s okay,”** said Molly.

“Same steps, every time.”

“The routine helps,” Max whispered.

Sparky settled and dreamed of sunlit paths and bowls on time.

"Having a routine
has really helped
Sparky"



5. Learning to Train Sparky

One sunny morning, Molly and Max decided to teach Sparky some new tricks.

“Let’s start with sit!” said Molly, holding a treat. Sparky sniffed... plop! Down went his bottom.

“Come, Sparky!” Max called, holding a treat. Sparky’s ears perked. ‘Running? I’m in!’ He bounded across the yard and skidded to Max’s feet

Sparky yawned. He flopped beside them. ‘Learning is fun,’ he thought.

**"Sparky loves
treats, so he'll
learn quickly!"**



Learning to Train Sparky

“Watch this, Molly!” called Max, smiling.
He stood across the yard, holding a treat.
“Sparky, come!” Max said warmly.

Sparky’s ears perked. ‘Running? I’m in!’
He bounced across the grass, tail whirring.
He skidded to a stop at Max’s feet
and grabbed the treat.

Molly clapped. “Wow, he did it!”
Max hugged him tight.

‘Running, treats, cuddles? This game keeps getting
better,’ thought Sparky.

“Sparky
come”



Learning to Train Sparky

Molly knelt. **“Sparky, sit!”** she said, holding a treat.

Plop! Down went his bottom, tail wagging.

After practice, his ears perked at his name.

“Sparky, come!” called Max.

Sparky dashed, skidded, and earned a treat.

Molly clapped. Max cuddled him.

As the sun dipped, Sparky flopped beside them,
nose on Molly’s lap.

‘Best training ever,’ he sighed,
and fell into a puppy nap



**“Max and Molly
gave Sparky lots
of praise when he
got it right”**

Learning to Train Sparky

Molly nodded. “Look how happy he is!
Training helps him listen and keeps him safe.”

She patted Sparky. Sparky wagged his tail.
‘Good dog? That’s me!’ he thought.

“Training Sparky was so much fun,” said Max,
stroking his fur. Sparky leaned closer.

“Max said, stroking Sparky

Mom smiled. “You did a wonderful job.”

“Tomorrow we can teach more tricks!” said Max.

“Even more fun,” said Molly.

Sparky gave a happy woof.

Training helps him listen and keeps him safe



6. Sparky Needs Snuggles

A warm evening turned stormy. Thunder boomed. Lightning flashed. Sparky paced the living room, tail tucked, whimpering.

Max wrapped him in a soft blanket.

“Don’t worry, Sparky,” he said.

“We’ll keep you safe.”

Molly stroked his ears.

“Inside you’re warm and loved.”

Sparky breathed slower.

‘Storms aren’t so scary when I’m not alone,’ he thought.

They cuddled until thunder faded.

**They needed to help
him feel safe**



Sparky Needs Snuggles

He darted under the table, ears flat, eyes wide.

Max crouched beside him and whispered, **“It’s okay they’re fireworks.”**

Molly closed the curtains and turned on music.

“See? It’s nicer in here; you’re safe with us.”

Sparky felt Molly’s gentle hand on his back.

‘Scary noises,’ he thought, **‘but I’m brave with my family.’** Wrapped in calm voices and love, the fireworks seemed softer.

Fireworks are scary for Sparky



Sparky Needs Snuggles

Today was Sparky's first vet visit for a puppy jab.

New smells and strange sounds filled the room.

Sparky shuffled nervously, paws clicking on the floor.

Molly knelt. "It's okay, Sparky. We're here," she whispered and hugged him.

Max gave him a soft toy. "You're safe with us."
'I don't like this,' he thought, 'but I can be brave with Molly and Max.'



The children talked to Sparky in calming tones

Sparky Needs Snuggles

They chose a cosy corner for Sparky.

They set his soft bed and toy.

“Here you go, Sparky,” Molly whispered, tucking his blanket.

Max switched on the nightlight.

“See? It’s warm and safe - just for you.”

Sparky curled up, eyes drooping.

‘My special spot,’ he thought. ‘I feel loved.’

Molly and Max smiled. “Caring for Sparky means love, patience, and comfort.”

**"It's warm and
safe - just for
you."**



7. Sparky's Big Adventure

Early morning, Molly and Max packed for adventure.

Dad held a checklist. "First things first," he said.

"Food and water for Sparky."

Max poured kibble into a small tub.

Molly filled a bowl with fresh water.

Sparky sniffed and wagged, eager to go.

"Not yet, boy," Molly laughed.

"That's for later when you're hungry."

Sparky barked happily.

Dad smiled. "Sparky's needs come first."

**"Sparky's needs
come first."**



Sparky's Big Adventure

With everything packed, they clipped on Sparky's lead and set out. The path of tall green trees shimmered as birds soared.

Sparky bounced, sniffing flowers and chasing shadows, tail wagging. **"Slow down, boy,"** chuckled Max, as the lead buzzed.

"He knows today's special," laughed Molly. Sunlight patterned the ground.

"Perfect day for an adventure," she said.

Sparky barked as if to agree.

**“Perfect day for an
adventure.”**

Sparky's Big Adventure

At the park, Max held Sparky's favourite toy high.
"Ready, Sparky?" he called.

Sparky bolted before the throw, ears flopping.
Paws kicked dust; his golden coat shimmered.
"Go, Sparky, go!" Molly cheered.

Max threw the toy.
Sparky leapt—snap! He caught it mid-air.
"He's so fast!" said Max.

Sparky trotted back, tail whirring.
"This is what he loves most—playing with us!"

"Go, Sparky, go!"



Sparky's Big Adventure

Molly and Max sat with Sparky on the porch.
Evening sun painted the garden gold.
After play, it was time to rest.

“Puppies need brushing every day,” said Dad.
Sparky rolled onto his side, sighing.

Max brushed his back.
Molly smoothed his ears.

“Feels nice, boy,” Max whispered.
“Love matters like food and play,” said Molly.

They felt close.



**“A puppy’s coat
needs brushing
every day.”**

**What’s for
dinner**

Sparky's Big Adventure

Molly and Max sat nearby, smiling as Sparky settled. The lamp made the room feel safe.

By evening, he was worn out. He curled on his warm blanket.

“We gave him food, play, safety, love,” whispered Max.

“That’s why he looks peaceful,” said Molly, tucking the blanket.

Sparky sighed and dreamed.

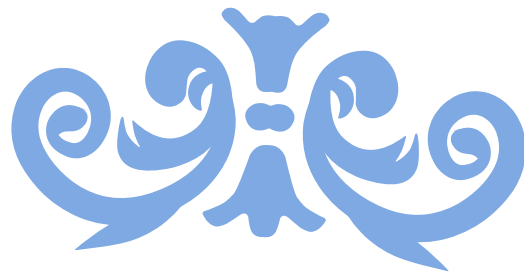
Tomorrow would bring fun and gentle lessons.



Not the End

IT'S JUST THE BEGINNING

LOOK OUT FOR MORE SPARKY TAILS

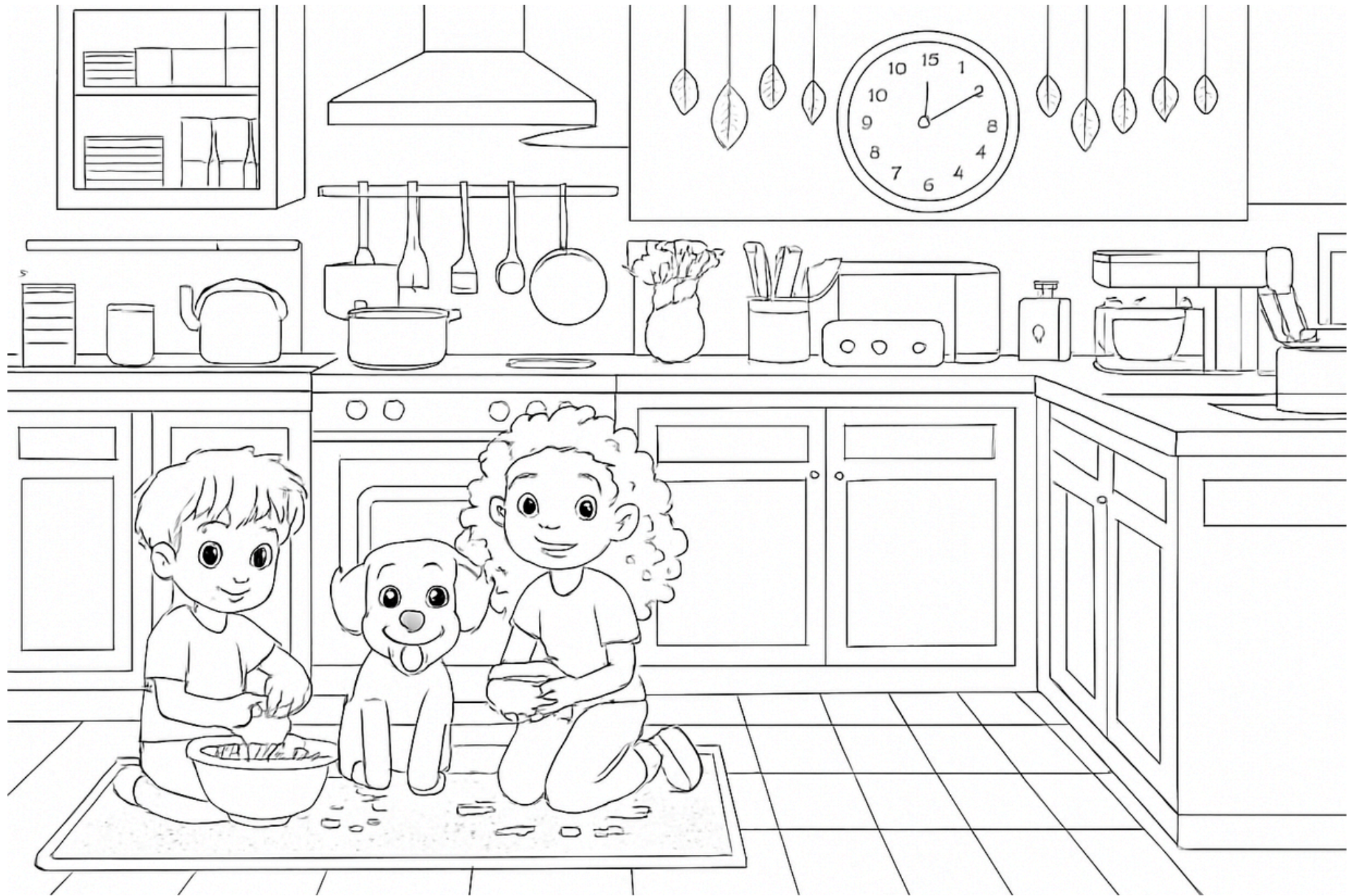


Sparky's Bonus Bumper Play Pack!

- *The adventure doesn't stop when you close the book... it's only just beginning!*
- *Scan the QR code inside and unlock a treasure chest of free fun and games designed especially for Sparky fans.*
- *From quizzes and puppy care challenges, to colouring competitions, puzzles, and even your very own certificate of promise – every page is packed with ways to play, learn.*
- *Stick them on the fridge, share them with friends, and show off your masterpieces. Who knows – your colouring could even feature on Sparky's Wall of Fame!*

*🐾 **READY, SET, PLAY...**
SPARKY STYLE! 🐾*





Dinner At Same Times Every Day



Regular Grooming Relaxes Sparky & Leaves Fur Healthy



It's Important To Clean Up After Playtime

Sparky's Family Care Chart

TASK	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
FED							
WATER							
WALK							
PLAYED KINDLY							
CLEAN UP							
BED CARE							



Child's Name(s)

Pups Name

WHEN WE CARE FOR OUR PUP EVERY DAY, WE SHOW RESPONSIBILITY AND KINDNESS.