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# Dog



## Synopsis

From the #1 New York Times bestselling children's book creator Matthew Van Fleet. Doggone fun for little ones! In Matthew Van Fleet's captivating multiconcept book, twenty breeds of capering canines demonstrate action words, opposites, synonyms, and more. Cleverly designed pull tabs and flaps plus ten pettable textures provide interactive treats that will have the whole family arfing along from start to surprising finish. Bow-WOW!

## Book Information

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Age Range: 2 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

PreSchool-K  
This sturdy offering presents full-color photos of charismatic canines embellished with pull tabs and tactile (mostly furlike) textures. The brief, rhyming text highlights various critters and their behaviors, making comparisons and contrasts. On one page, a wheaton terrier (Little dog) is posed next to an English mastiff (Big dog) and a nervous-looking Chihuahua (Teeny dog quakes), while opposite, a neatly coiffed schnauzer backs away from a damp mutt in a tub and the verse finishes, Dry dog, /Wet dog /shake, /shake, /shake! (a pull tab moves the bather's head from side to side). Unfortunately, some of the concepts are not as clearly presented. One spread reads: Happy dog, /Sad dog, /Friendly dog licks. /Slobber dog, /Pant dog, /Drooly dog sticks! Aside from the awkward phrasing, children may not notice that the aforementioned pooch has a touchable sticky tongue (it's rather small) and miss the point completely. A page showing a

Lab puppy in a squatting position declares, All dogs poop, while the English bulldog standing nearby lifts its leg with the help of a pull tab revealing, All dogs pee. The book ends with foldouts that introduce each pet by name and breed. Leave this one for the bookstore crowd. Joy Fleishhacker, School Library Journal Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Matthew Van Fleet's innovative books have been introducing children to basic concepts for more than twenty years. His uniquely designed board books invite toddlers to touch, press, pull, lift, and even sniff as they explore colors, shapes, numbers, letters, opposites, and more. His New York Times bestselling titles include Cat, Heads, Alphabet, and Moo, as well as the #1 New York Times bestsellers Tails and Dog. His books have sold more than eight million copies and have been translated around the world. He lives with his family in New York. Visit him online at [VanFleetBooks.com](http://VanFleetBooks.com). Brian Stanton is a New York based commercial photographer who shoots advertising, corporate, and editorial assignments. His clients include The Independent Film Channel, NBC, Bravo Networks, Lincoln Center, Panasonic, and Novartis. Brian's work can be viewed at [BrianStantonPhoto.com](http://BrianStantonPhoto.com).

I was excited about this book because my daughter loves dogs and interactive books. I was still surprised by how awesome it was when it showed up! It is a huge, sturdy book with tons of fun elements. The cover has two soft furry tails and a tail that wags when you move the tab. Inside are dozens of high-quality pictures of many types of dogs. There are several different types of furry textures, several moving parts, and even a dog with a sticky tongue. My daughter particularly liked this and has been disappointed recently as the stick wears off. The last two pages open up to an extra wide spread with a hidden non-dog visitor. The words are silly but not in an irritating way. She is eleven months old now and will be enjoying this one for a long time. FYI it is huge, several inches thick, and not good for trips!

My husband bought this book for our 4 year old (who is famous among everyone we know for being both a book lover and a dog lover), and it is, not surprisingly, one of her favorites. She took it to her pre-K class today, and when I picked her up, her teachers were raving about it! They said that they read it at least three times to the class and that it was the hit of the day! The fun starts before the book is even opened. The tails of the three dogs on the cover are touch-and-feel furry or wag with the pull of a tab. It just gets better from there. This book is packed with a wide variety of clever and

creative interactive tricks that are well integrated with the entertaining verbiage. The book is, in fact, clever enough to engage my husband, myself, and our older children; even my college aged daughter is currently petting, pulling, and generally getting a kick out of this book as I write this review. I am online now to order another copy as a gift to my daughter's preschool in her name. Otherwise, she will want to bring this book to school every day for the rest of the year! We highly recommend this book!

Very cute and interactive!! We have a growing collection of Van Fleet books, and have been fully satisfied. My 11 month old ADORES this book, and I have to hide it if I don't want to read it 5+ times a day. ;) Although it doesn't have quite as many interactive parts as some of his other books, there are still plenty to keep little ones interested. There is a page that says "all dogs poop, all dogs pee" that upsets some people, but as someone who grew up on a farm (and has a family full of nurses) it's a super normal part of animal life that I don't find offensive at all. I would definitely recommend this to all the little people in your life who love books!

Do you know how many children really seem to gravitate toward a particular type of animal, such as dinosaurs or primates? My granddaughter is obsessed with dogs & loves this book; however some of the moveable parts are too fragile for a 15-month old. On the first day, she decapitated the dog who shakes his head and tore off the leg of the scratching dog! So far, the other "touch and feel" items and the toggle parts are holding up. It's a large book, but she quite happily hauls it around and asks to read it many times a day.

My favorite children's book. However, you need to be careful when you buy it (especially in the store) because some of the levers that make the dogs move are frequently broken.

I bought this book for my 7-month old grandson. Since I taught his dad how to say "puppy" with a similar book when he was 9 months old, I wanted a book with lots of actual pictures of dogs and puppies. This book has that and much more. Several of the pages have pull-tabs to make a tail wag or a leg scratch... or a cute surprise at the end. Other pages have soft ears or sticky tongues to touch, along with lots of textures on tails and backs. The array of breeds presented is wonderful, and the book is surprisingly sturdy. It's a little bigger than I expected, but I like that. It's a good size, just right for little hands to explore. My grandson gets very excited when we bring the book out. He will sit with me for the longest time just looking at each dog and exploring all the different textures

and motions on each page. We particularly like getting to meet each dog by name at the end of the book. I would highly recommend this book to parents and grandparents who not only enjoy reading to their children, but also enjoy exploring.

Great book for my dog loving baby. Could have left out the part where the dog pees on the tree though!!!

Fun book for my 2 year old granddaughter who loves dogs!

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