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# How To Make Oral Care Fun For Your Pet

If you've ever tried brushing your pet's teeth and ended up in a wrestling match or a competitive game of hide-and-seek, you'll know that cat and dog dental care can be a daunting task. GREENIES™ Dental Treats are here to tell you it doesn't have to be!

With the right approach, treats, and attitude, you can turn this mundane task into an exciting bonding experience. Let's explore some fun and creative ways to make dental care entertaining for you and your pet!

## The importance of oral health for your pet

Imagine going weeks without brushing your teeth – yikes! Just like our daily tooth brushing, cat and dog dental care is crucial for pets. Poor oral hygiene can lead to plaque buildup, bad breath, and even more serious health issues like gum disease or tooth loss.

Integrating an enjoyable oral care routine into your pet's daily habits can prevent this. Better yet, dog and cat dental care doesn't just safeguard your pet's health, it can enhance your connection by squeezing in some extra bonding time together. It's a win-win solution!

## Get them used to your routine

Establishing a routine of daily teeth brushing is important for your pet's oral health. However, starting a new dog or cat dental care routine can take time as your pet gets used to this new experience. Start slowly, focusing on familiarising your pet with the routine before getting into the business of brushing.

Begin by gently touching their mouth to show them you're there to help, not harm. Once your pet is comfortable, gradually introduce toothbrushing with a pet-friendly toothbrush and toothpaste at least three times a week.

## Making it fun

While cat and dog dental care might sound boring, it doesn't have to be. Here's how to turn this chore into a playful and enjoyable activity for both you and your pet.

#### **Using treats**

Healthy chews and treats like <u>GREENIES™</u> <u>dental products</u> taste like a delicious reward but are really an easy way to clean your pet's teeth, protect their gums, and freshen their breath. Try hiding them around the house or garden to turn teeth-cleaning time into an interactive playtime.

Dental treats also make the perfect reward. Using these healthy treats to praise good behaviour is a simple way to sneak dental care into your everyday. It can even make obedience training more effective as your pet will associate good behaviour with tasty treats - an easy win for a busy pet parent!

### **Using toys**

Toys aren't just for playtime – they can be an essential part of your pet's oral care routine. Dental toys are designed to promote chewing, which naturally cleans teeth and massages gums. Here's some of the best toys for cat and dog dental care:

- **Toys with ridges or nubs** help scrub away plaque while your pet plays. You can also fill these grooves with toothpaste or dental treats to double the dental care benefits!
- **Rope toys** are excellent for oral health. The fibres work like floss, getting into those hard-to-reach places between your pet's teeth. Plus, playing tug-of-war with a rope toy can strengthen your bond with your pet while promoting dental hygiene.
- Interactive cat toys are the perfect way to sneak cat dental care into playtime.

  Filling them with snacks like <u>GREENIES™ Feline Dental treats</u> stimulates your kitty's

natural instinct while cleaning their teeth and gums.

Maintaining your pet's oral health doesn't have to be a tiresome task. By using treats and toys creatively, you can make dog and cat dental care an activity you both look forward to. For more ways to turn ordinary oral health into extraordinary fun, check out the  $\mathsf{GREENIES}^\mathsf{TM}$  blog.

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