

# HOW FAR CAN A

## SMILE

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Dotty was a dalmation, she was covered in white and had black spots all round her body, her favourite game to play is chase and her owner is called Ashly. Whenever Dotty was out and about she would always make friends. When she came across another dog she would always give them a warm, welcoming smile. Dotty made friends with dogs of all shapes and sizes. Even the most grumpy dogs that met dotty would walk away feeling full of joy. One day Dotty and Ashly moved to another town called Fishlake Island. Everything was different for Dotty and this made her feel shy. On her first walk she noticed the town was dull and damp and all the dogs she saw looked fierce. Dotty wasn't sure she would like this new town. That night Dotty was feeling miserable and missing her old home. Then she remembered what her mum told her when she was a puppy..... "Happiness is inside you where ever you go." At that second

Dotty realised that she was strong and didn't need to let her fear get in the way. As the bright sun lit Dotty decided she was going to smile at all the dogs she met, even if she felt shy. And do you know what? All the dogs smiled back at her. One by one the town became as cheerfull as Dotty was. One year later, Dotty gave birth to her own pups and she told them..... Happiness is inside of you, smile and be kind because you never know how far it travels and might just change a life.

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