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It was fall - at the least the start of it. There were still flowers blooming here and there. The trees had started releasing it's leaves. It was suppose to be a time for new things to be entering into one's world.



Jack liked sitting on the bench in the upstairs window that let the sun in, and watching the world go by. Some those he was a grumping dog because he had such a serious face all the time. Did he have a choice? He wouldn't overcome that look. He was bull dog. There was a expectation. He was suppose to be the keeper of the house.

The afternoon sun was filling the room as it glistened little rays of happiness everywhere. Jack stretched out and dozed off in the center of "his bench".

He had no idea how long he had been asleep when he heard the bounce bounce, click, click of little happy dog feet. He did not open his eyes. "This must be a dream. There are no other dogs in this house. I am the dog of the house," he thought.

The just laid there trying to connect the sounds he thought he was hearing with the what his was brain was thinking. He was refusing to open his eyes until - -

"Whap!" That was the biggest, wettest, massive dog kiss he thinks he had ever gotten?

"NO! How could it be?" He opened one eye. There "it" was. Jack stopped breathing. One - it was dog. Two - by the little red bow in the hair. It must be a girl. "She is kinda cute."



He opened both eyes and sat on the bench looking down on her, thinking, "Why is there another dog in my house? What have I done wrong? Are they planning on sending me to the dog yard in the sky? If this was a he dog, we could do all kinds of things together. She looks like a prissy sit your lap dog."

Jack shook his head. He heard Lucy coming up the stairs. She was calling "Jack. Jack .. my big guy ... where are you? Momma has a surprise for you."



"I already got mopped down by your surprise," he thought as she topped the stairs.

"Well, Jack, by the look on your face you have already met Bella," said Lucy. "I hope you will make her feel at home"

"Right. Do I have a choice?" thought Jack, giving Lucy a over the nose look. Lucy knew Jack said more with those eyes than most ten guys she knew could say in an entire evening.

Lucy sat down beside Jack and pulled Bella up into her lap. She drew in a deep breathe.

"Jack, Bella needs to stay with us for a while.

The red-head friend of mine that always brings you bacon cookies." Jack sat up straight. That was one of Jack's favorite humans - outside of Lucy. "She has to go on a trip and asked if Bella could stay here. I told her I didn't think you would mind."

Jack realized both Lucy and Bella were looking at him. "Center of attention. Let's ham this up," he thought. He looked up at the ceiling fan and moved his head round and round like the fan. He realized he was getting dizzy so he stopped. Looked at Lucy. Looked at Bella. Then leaned forward and gave Bella the biggest softest kiss in history. Lucy begin smiling. Bella's tail set to wagging. That tail could of set a world record for speed in a race to outer space and back.

The next day was Saturday. Lucy decided to take Jack and Bella to the dog park to run and play with the other dogs in the neighborhood.

When Lucy told Jack, he began bouncing all over the room. Bella had never been such a sight. She had never been to a dog park. Mostly in her life she had been with her owner, or in a little bag she was carried in.

With yesterday, going so well, Lucy figured if Jack was still getting excited about going to the dog park with Bella, it could be a better transition than Lucy had thought.



When the trio arrived at the park and saw all the dogs, and all the fancy clothes, "This was a really cool place to come," Bella thought.



"Bella, babe, follow my lead. This is your first time here and I want to show you where all the best places to go are and which dogs to avoid. Where the dump your rump spots are," said Jack.

The little yorkie was taken back. Jack had only moaned groaned and signaled with his head since her arrival.



Bella thought this would be the best way to discover the park. "Boy, have I been missing out all this time - being toted about. There are so many more dogs in this world. I haven't even seen another dog that looks like me."

Jack didn't know why Bella was staying with him and Lucy, however, this was fun having another dog around. He strutted as he took her around the park, pointing out the watering hole, the longest runs, the biggest trees, the best places to relax and where the big dogs hung out. (He explained it was best to stay out that area, because it would be easy for her to get stepped on.)



The dogs had a really good time. Lucy half watched them while sitting on the bench.

When she had finished her book (she didn't think she was ever going to get to the last page), she called Jack. He came and Bella followed at his heels. Lucy smiled. A cute pair they were. She put their leashes on them and off they went.



Jack thought it seemed as if they were off for a ride about town. He rarely got "just rides in the car". They came to a place and Jack had never seen it. Bella and curled up in the seat between Jack's and the car seat. She wasn't aware of the trip and the fact that it had gone to her old home for a moment along the way.

When Lucy got home she took Bella and Jack to the backyard to play and do "dog things" while she took the items out of the trunk and found a place for them in her home.

As the sun began to set on the day, Lucy got supper for the duo. She was glad they had become such good buddies.

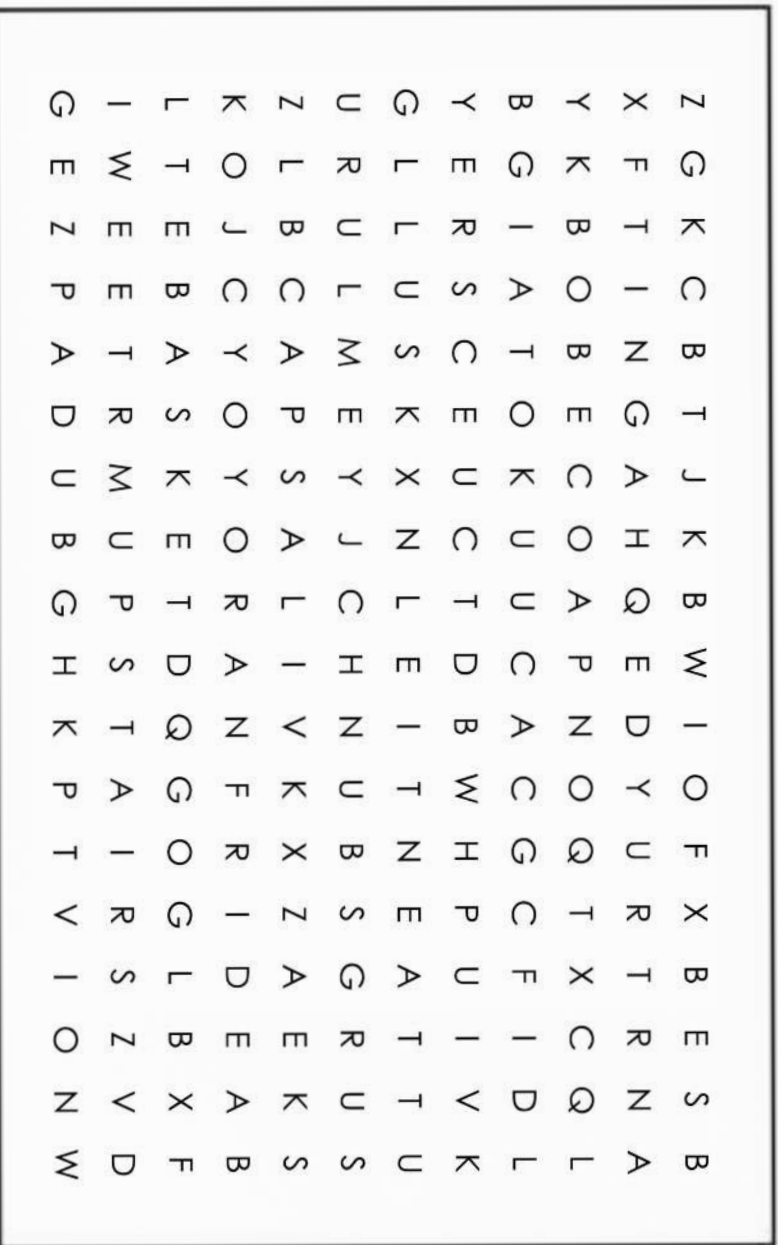


Jack had been by himself most of his life. Lucy wasn't sure he'd take to another dog in the house.

After dinner when everyone went upstairs, Bella spotted her bed in the sunroom where Jack sleep. She was so excited. She was jumping all over the place. This made things feel a little bit more like home.

All had started well those days when Jack first had met Bella.





Find the following words in the puzzle.
 Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

- Backyard
- Ball
- Basket
- Bella
- Bench
- Bouncing
- Car
- Cute
- Dog Park
- Grumpy
- Jack
- Kisses
- Lucy
- Outfits
- Pawns
- Ride
- Tote
- Tree
- Upstairs





***Play fetch with
Jack and Bella
at the park***

