



THE SUDDEN APPEARANCE OF

A DOG

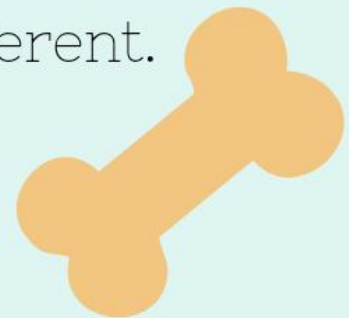
AT HILL VIEW APARTMENTS

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Nothing on this planet is unnamed because it is inhabited by a species which loves naming things. Humans love giving names so much that even if a thing already has a name, a scientific name, a common name and a regional name, they won't think twice before giving it another name. They do this with their children too. Every child has a birth-name and a nickname.

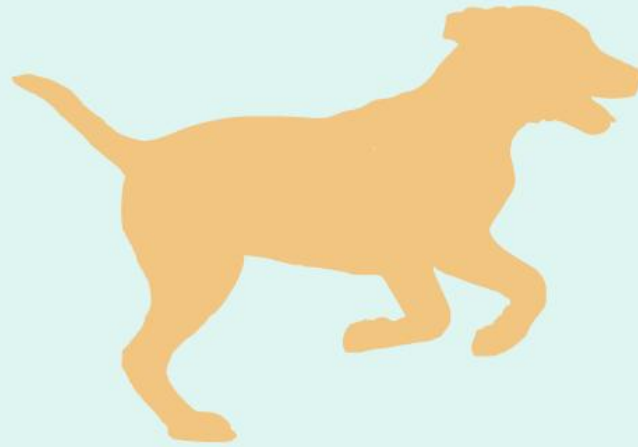


Sometimes the names are derived from the appearance or the usage. Sometimes they're creative and sometimes they're not. You'll find an object named after a person, a person after a sweet dessert, a sweet dessert after a place, a place after a biscuit. One can say that humans can't keep from naming things. It comes very naturally to them, as natural as, say, breathing. And humans of Hill View Apartments were no different.

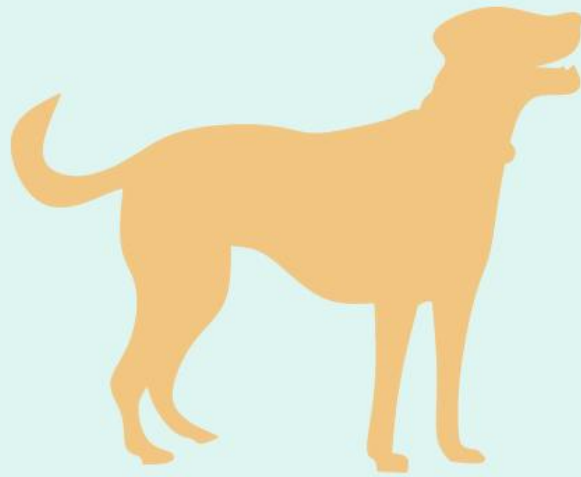




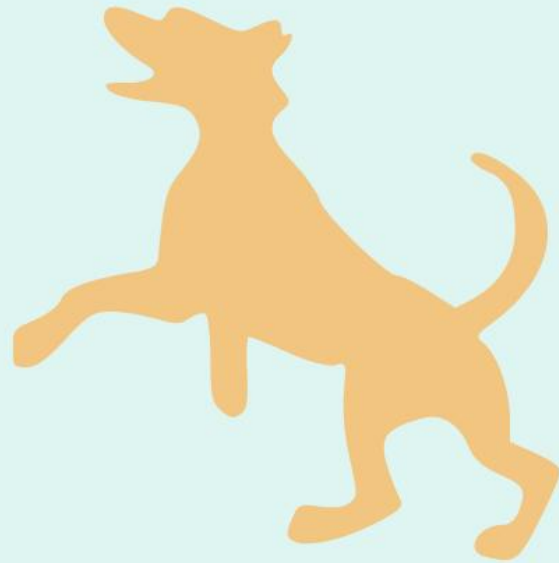
One day there appeared a dog in the compound of Hill View Apartments. He stood at its entrance, alone. All of the building residents were busy with their early-morning activities. Soon they will step out of their house. Soon they will meet the dog and do the very thing they can't keep from doing.



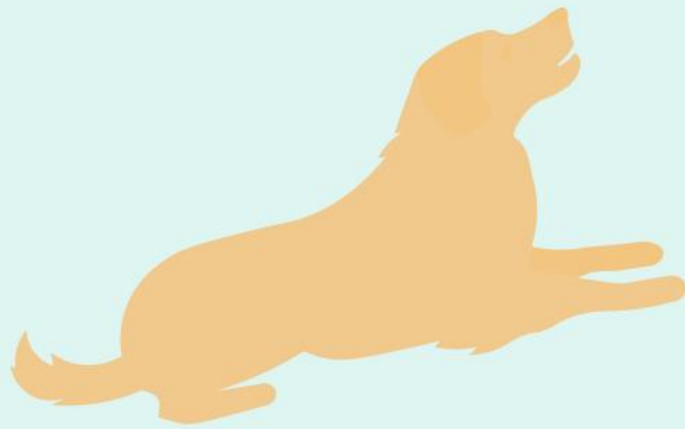
The Tripathis named the dog as Sunder.



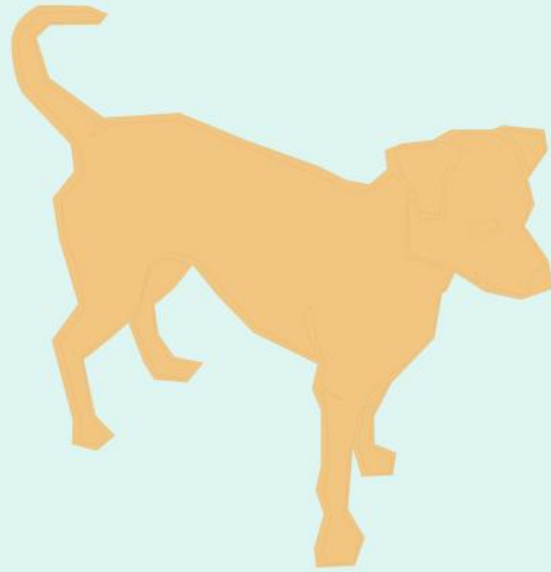
The D'souzas named him as Noah.



The Shaikhs named him as Abu.



The Singh family named him as Sukhi.



Every family gave the dog a name that they felt best suited him. Thus, by the end of the day, he had as many names as the number of families living in the building. But it didn't bother him. He was happy, happy for all the love he received from the families of Hill View Apartments.

The End.



Note:

During the publication of the book, a horrible blunder was committed on our part. The word Dog in the story is a mistake, a typo. It is supposed to be God.

We regret the inconvenience caused and request the readers to re-read the entire story with God as its protagonist.



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