

What's With All the Questions?

So you want to adopt a pet.

Congratulations! We can't tell you how much we appreciate you giving one of our beloved critters a second chance.

Here's the thing: We're going to ask you a lot of questions. You may feel like you're getting the third degree. We'll probably ask things like: Does your house have a fenced yard? Do you have school-age children? Who's going to be your pet's primary caregiver? Do you have a veterinarian? Why do fools fall in love?

OK, we'll probably skip that last one. But we may ask others. We may even want to come check out your house. (We promise not to mess with your stuff.)

Don't take it personally!

It's not about you. We're sure you're great—after all, you're here!

We take good care of our animals, and we want to make sure they'll go to good homes. So when we ask you questions, please don't hold it against us! You're probably going to give your new pet the best home ever—but not everyone is as awesome as you are.

Really. See all the animals here? They didn't appear out of nowhere. Some of them were neglected. Some of them were abused. But most of them just didn't quite *fit* in their old homes—at least not well enough to ensure they'd stay there forever.

We want to make sure Spot and Patches and Tiger and Muffin find homes that last forever this time. So if we ask you a lot of questions, try to remember: We're asking because we care, about the pet and about you. We're trying to make matches that last a lifetime.

So if we ask you some personal stuff, just think of the furry tail and the big eyes of the animal you've fallen for, and be patient with us!

It's totally worth the trouble.

