



PET BIRD BASICS

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PET BIRD ESSENTIALS



Food Cups with Proper Diet



Cuttlebone Toys



Veterinarians



Cage with space



Family to Love



Clean mirrors and colorful toys



Perch or shelves



Fresh water



READING BIRD Body Language



I AM HAPPY

Head Up

Singing,, whistling, talking

Body relaxed

I AM SAD/UNSURE

Head down

Eyes wide

Hiding, tail down



I AM ANGRY/SCARED

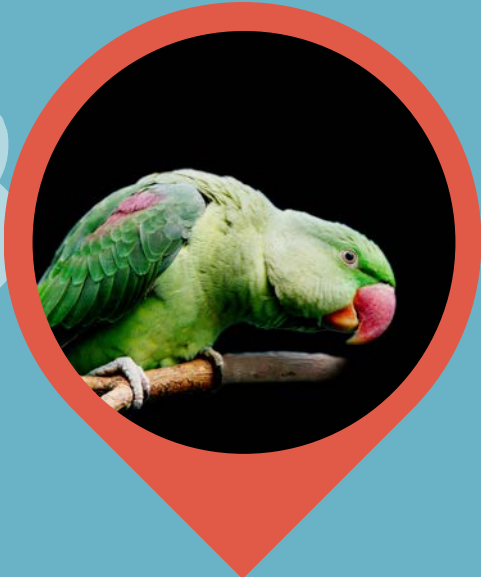
Growling, hissing, very still or agitated

Trembling, eyes wide, tail stiff or fanning

Comb feathers standing up stiffly



WHAT ARE THESE BIRDS TELLING YOU?



Worried/Unsure



Stay Away!



Angry



Scared

SAFE TO PET?

(with permission of an adult)

YES



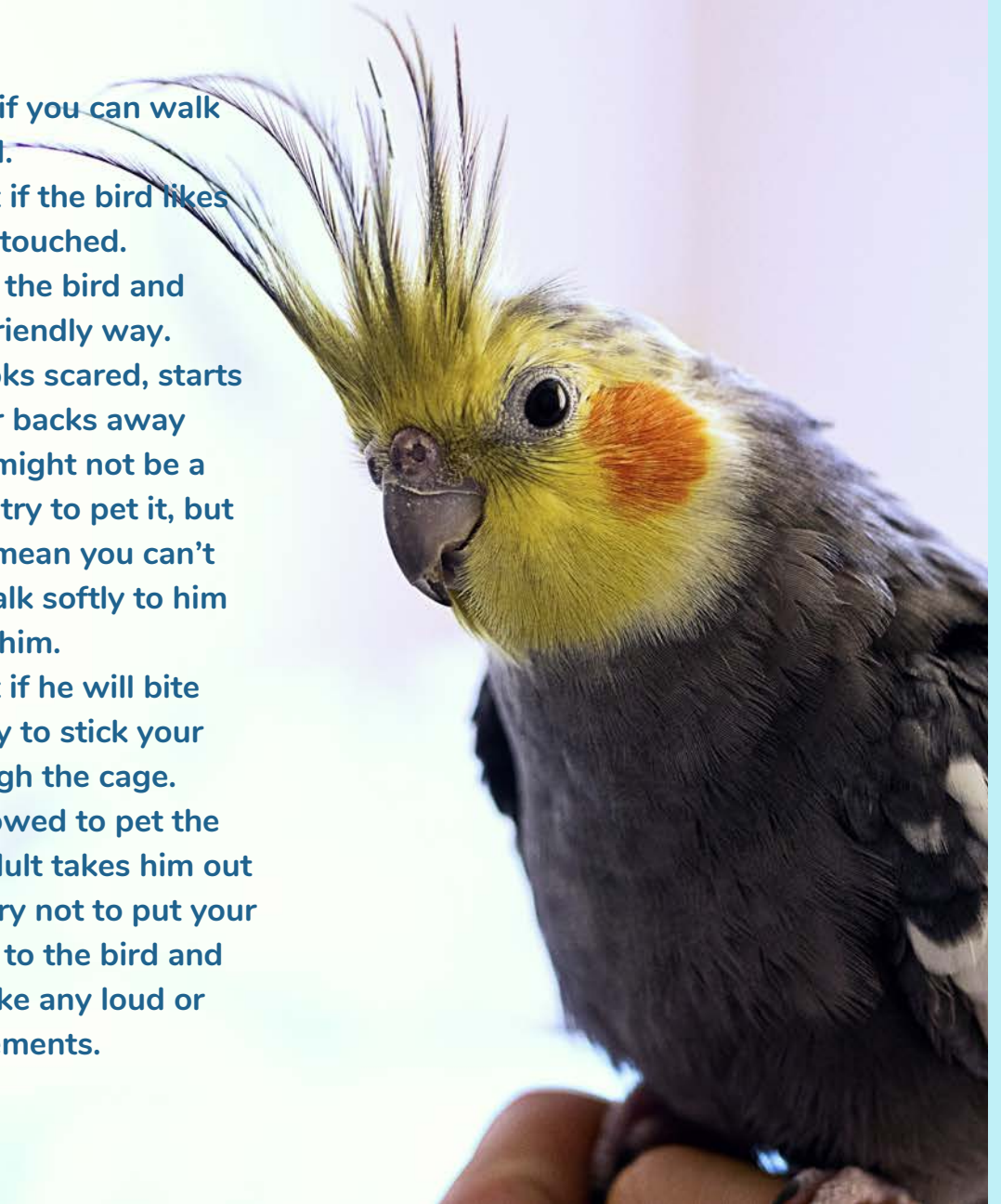
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RULES FOR KIDS MEETING BIRDS!

HOW TO GREET A BIRD...

- Ask an adult if you can walk up to the bird.
- Ask the adult if the bird likes to be held or touched.
- Talk softly to the bird and greet it in a friendly way.
- If the bird looks scared, starts screaming, or backs away from you, it might not be a good time to try to pet it, but that doesn't mean you can't continue to talk softly to him or whistle to him.
- Ask the adult if he will bite before you try to stick your fingers through the cage.
- If you are allowed to pet the bird or the adult takes him out of the cage, try not to put your face up close to the bird and try not to make any loud or sudden movements.



BE KIND!

MORE RULES FOR KIDS MEETING BIRDS!

LEAVE THE BIRD ALONE WHEN...



- No adult is present.
- The bird walks or runs away from you
- The bird is asleep, grooming or eating or clearly does not want to play
- The bird is playing with a toy.

NEVER

- Never pull a bird's feathers.
- Never try to catch it if it is trying to get away.
- Never tease, hit, or yell at the bird.

BE KIND!

BIRD FOLLOW THE NUMBERS

DRAW FROM EACH NUMBER TO THE NEXT

Adopt a Bird!



RESCUE A BIRD!

EDUCATE!

