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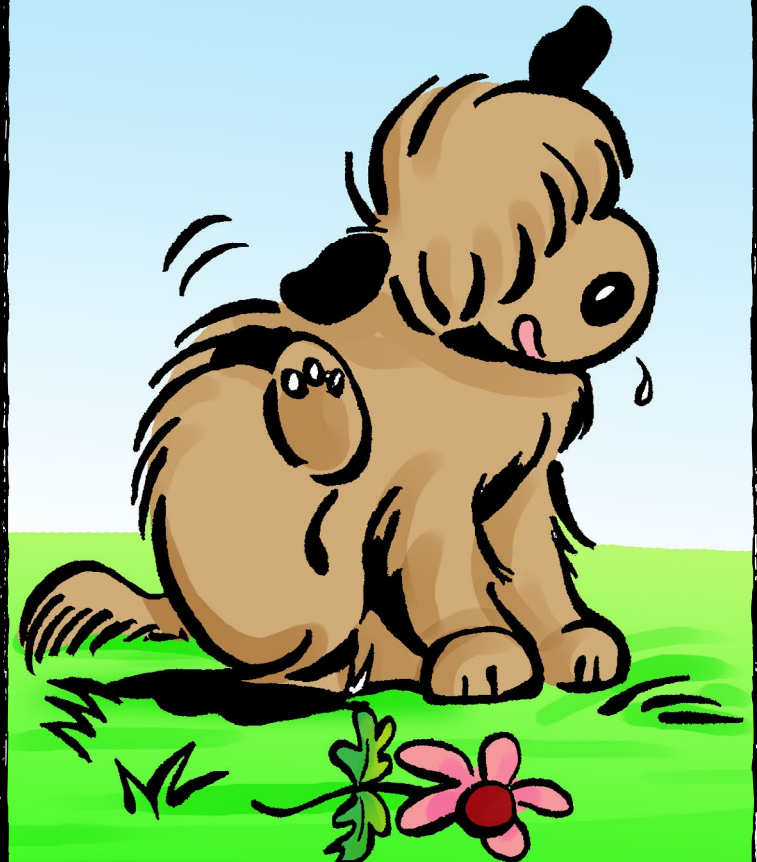


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WORDS USED IN THIS BOOK

High-frequency words:

the, to, and, he('s), a, I, you, it, of, in, said, for, had, at, up, all, look, is, be, have, **do**, can, not, gets, like, this, me, will, if, now, no, very, an, good, **don't**, take(s), think(s), help, make(s), stop, today, work, must, say(s), please

D words:

Dan('s), dig(s), dirt, Dad('s), doesn't, digging, dirty, dog(s), ditch, ditches, deeper, dirtier, dear, daisies, daffodils, damage, dinner, dark, Doctor, Dot, driving, dozens, deep

Other words:

love(s), mad, Oh, yells, night, beach, park, having, fun, can't, sad, way, won't, idea, trees, plant, yard, holes, job, bad

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Dan loves to dig.
He loves to dig in the dirt.
Dad doesn't like Dan to dig.
Digging makes Dan a dirty dog.



"Don't dig a ditch," says Dad.
Dan digging ditches makes Dad mad.
Dan digs deeper and deeper.
Dan gets dirtier and dirtier.

Oh dear, Dan digs up Dad's daisies.

Dan digs up Dad's daffodils.

"Look at all this damage!" yells Dad.

"No dinner for you today, Dan,"
says Dad.



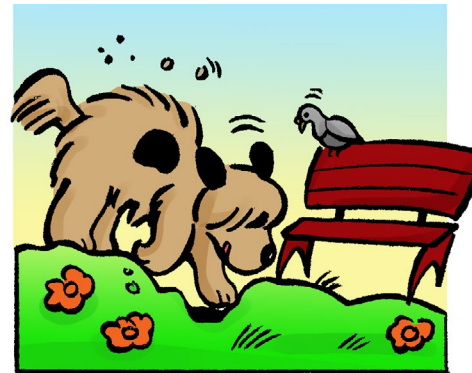
Dan cannot
stop digging.

Dan digs at night.

He digs in the dark.



He digs
at the beach.



He digs
at the park.



Dad takes Dan to Doctor Dot.

"Dan cannot stop digging," says Dad.

"Please help, he's driving me mad."

"Dogs love to dig," says Doctor Dot.

"Don't stop Dan having fun.

If Dan can't dig, he will be sad.

You must think of a way

Dan's digging won't make you mad."





Dad has an idea.

He thinks it will work.

“I have dozens of trees
to plant in the yard.

Dan can dig all the holes in the dirt.

He can do a good job.

He can dig very deep.”



Now Dan can dig and dig.

Dad is not mad. Dan is not bad.