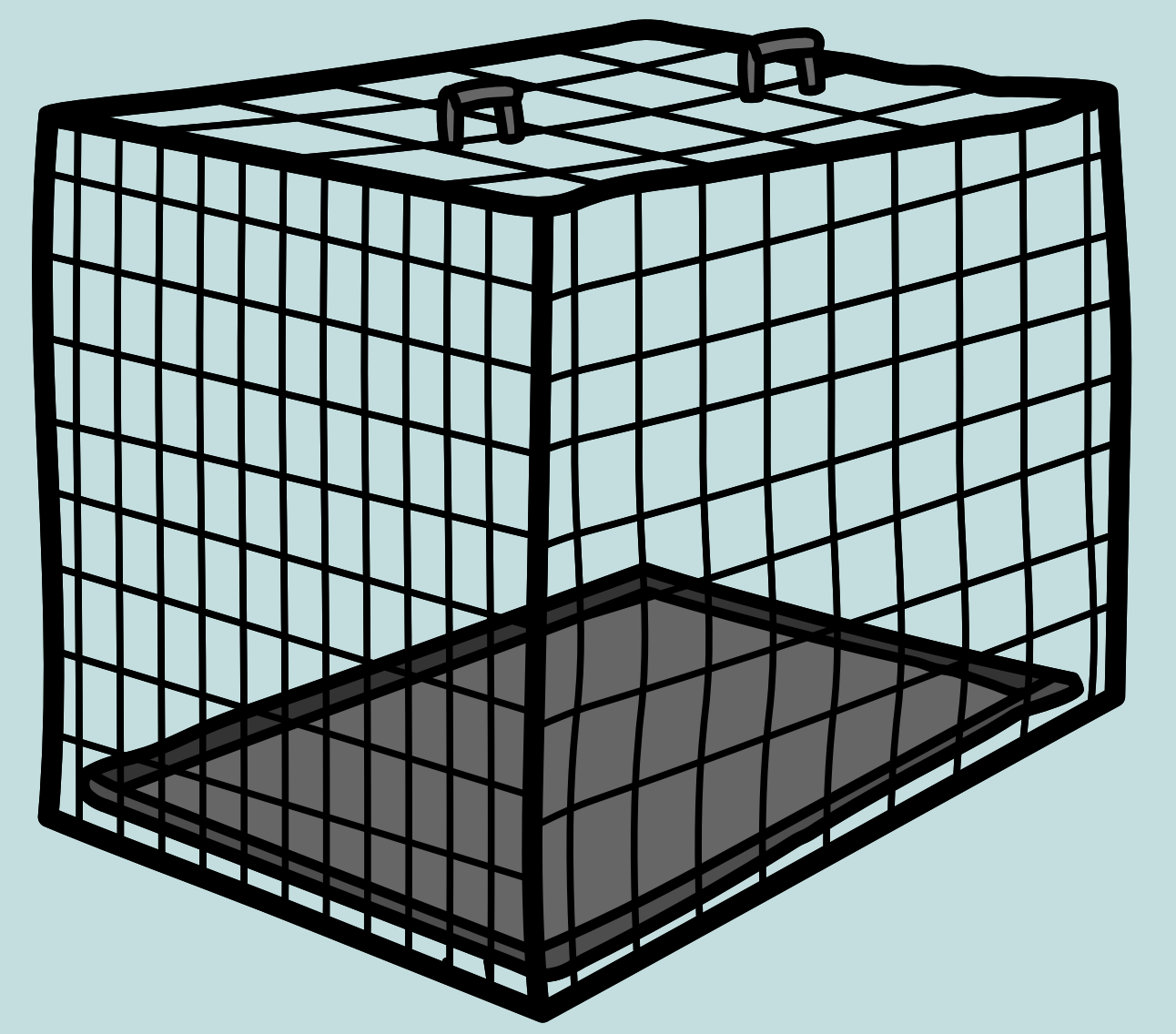




# 6 TIPS FOR HOUSETRAINING YOUR NEW DOG

## Crating as a tool

Keeping dogs in a crate or small space (like an x-pen or small room that can easily be cleaned) will remind them to hold their bladder and bowels so they can keep their living space clean.



**Important!** Make the crate a cozy space and help them acclimate to it BEFORE fully crating them. Skipping this step will stress them out and make housetraining more difficult.

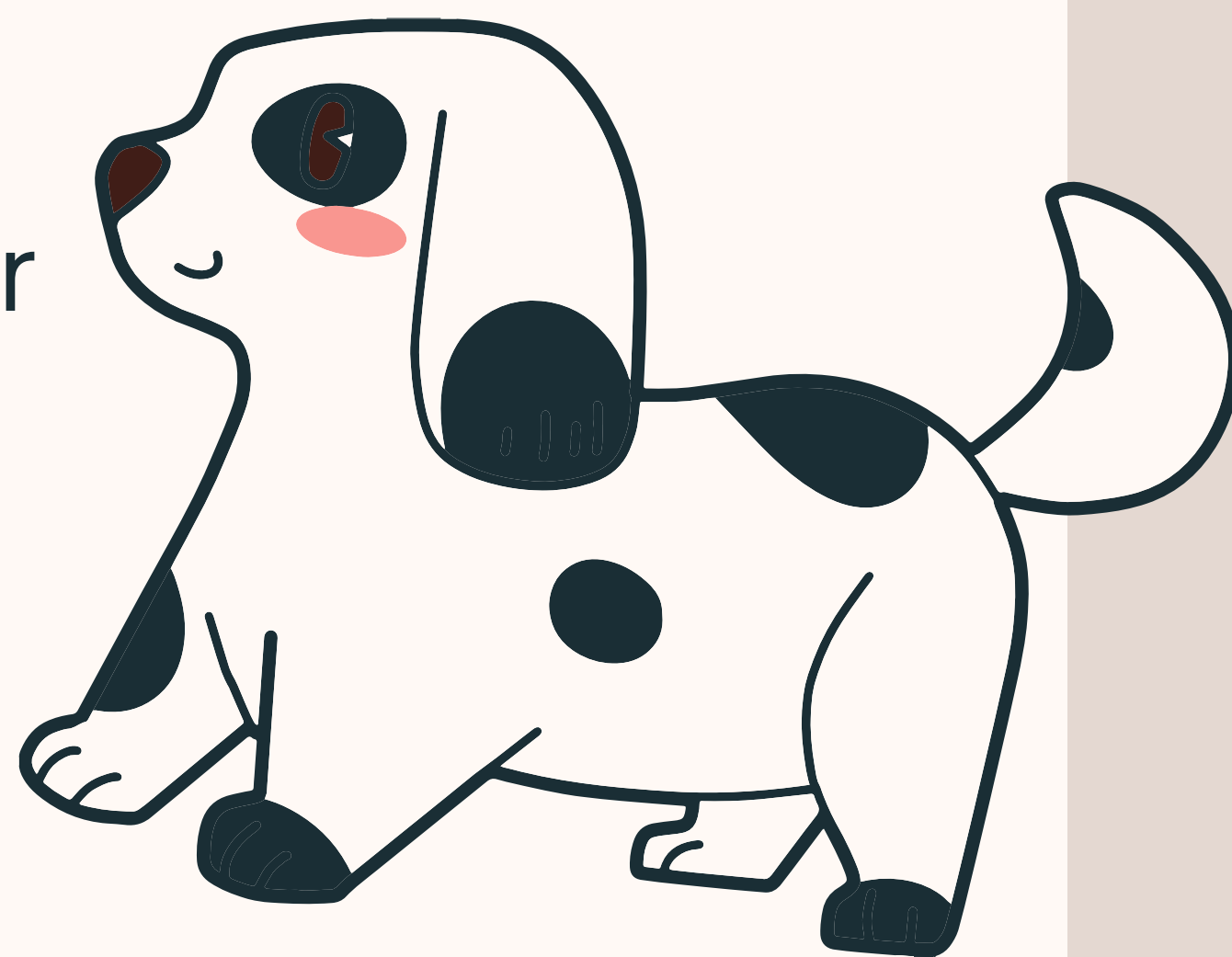
## Potty Breaks



Take your dog out of their confinement area to the same space every two hours or so in the beginning to build good habits.

## When do they go?

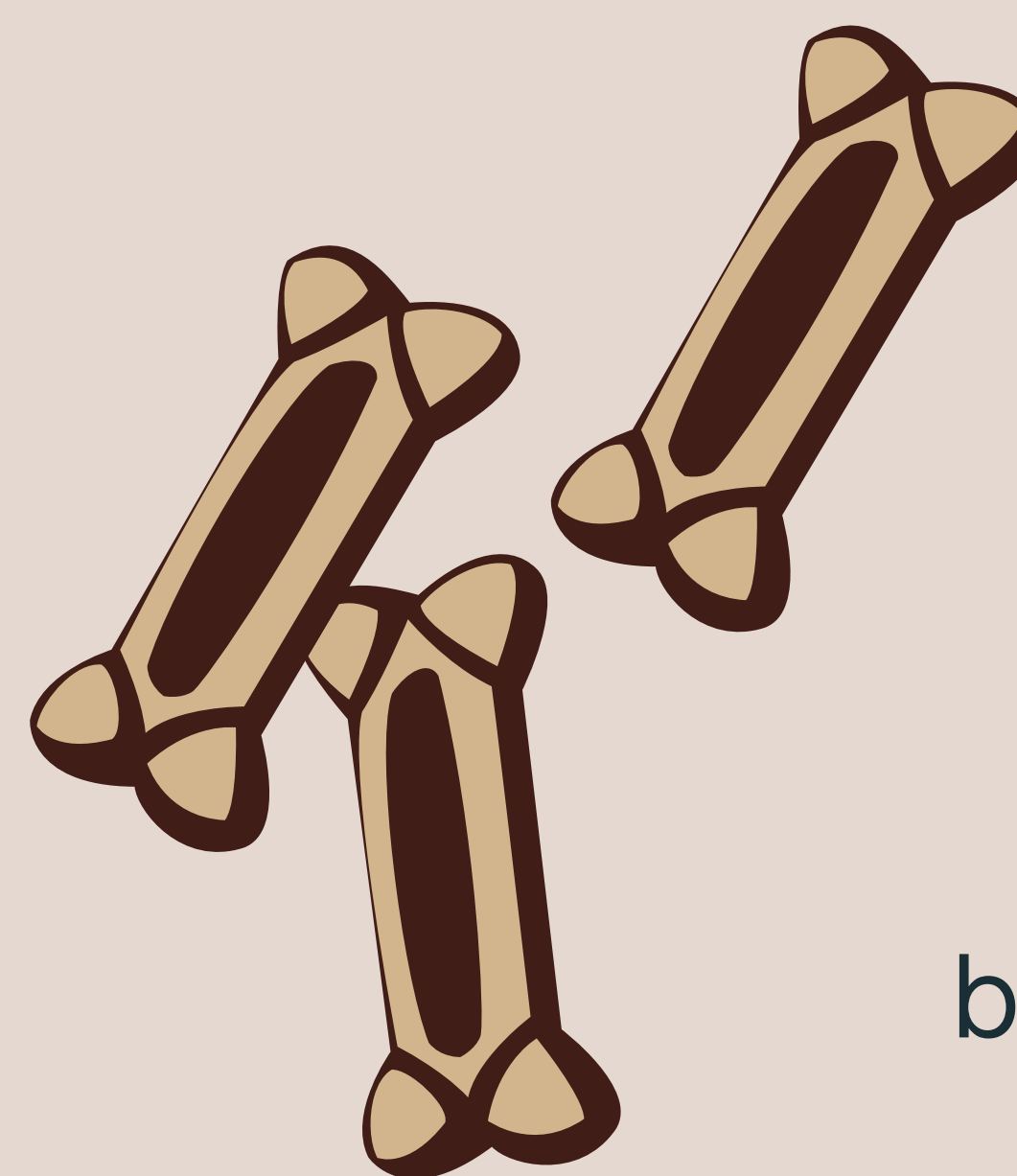
Dogs are most likely to go to the bathroom after eating, after drinking, first thing in the morning, last thing before bed and at the end of a play session, training session or walk.



Adult dogs should not have to wait more than six hours for a bathroom break and puppies under 4 months should be given breaks every 2 hours.

## Potty Breaks (Pt. 2)

Walk your dog outside on leash so they don't get distracted and use a cue like "Go potty!" - Wait a few minutes.



If they go to the bathroom, praise them IMMEDIATELY.

If they don't go to the bathroom, simply take them back to the confinement area until the next potty break.

## Remember!

Dogs may have different levels of housetraining depending on their situation. Even a well housetrained dog might have some accidents when adjusting to a new life and routine.



## Accidents happen!

If your dog has an accident, simply clean it up with an enzymatic spray like Nature's Miracle and keep a closer eye on them.

NEVER punish your dog for having an accident!

