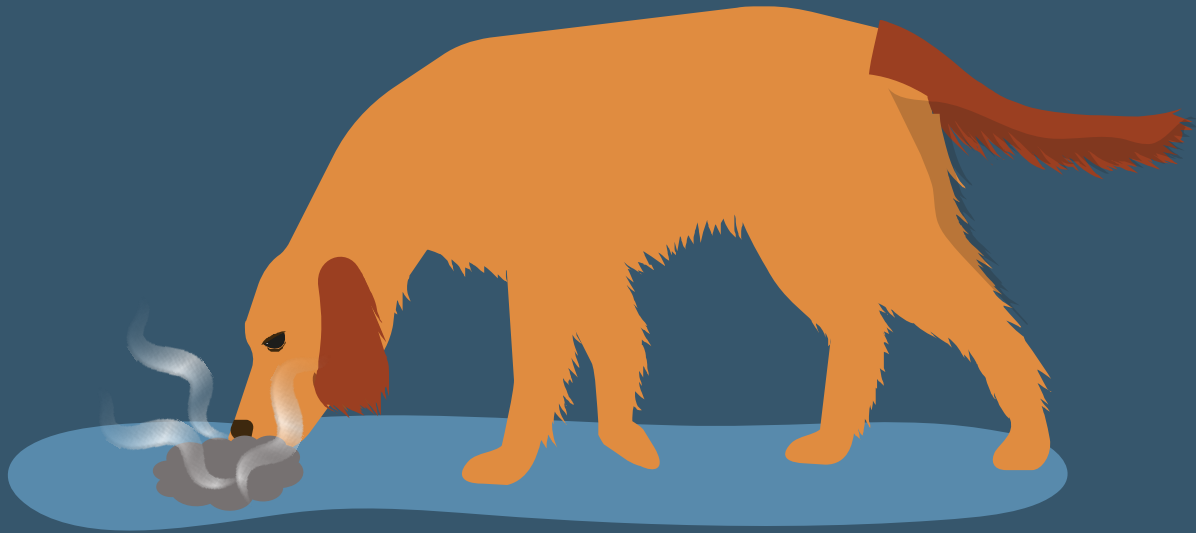


**Why do dogs lick
their nose?**





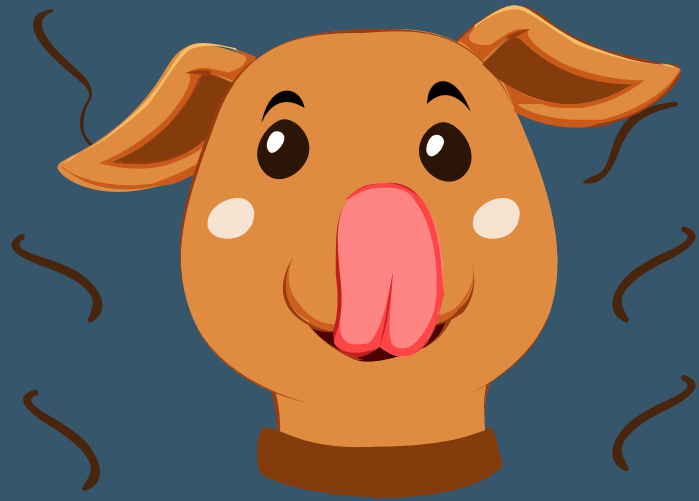
- **Amazing sense of smell**
- **Use sight & smell to assess their surroundings**
- **200 million sensory receptor sites**
- **Smell 10,000 times better than us**

**Licks nose to keep
it moist to better
pick up scents**

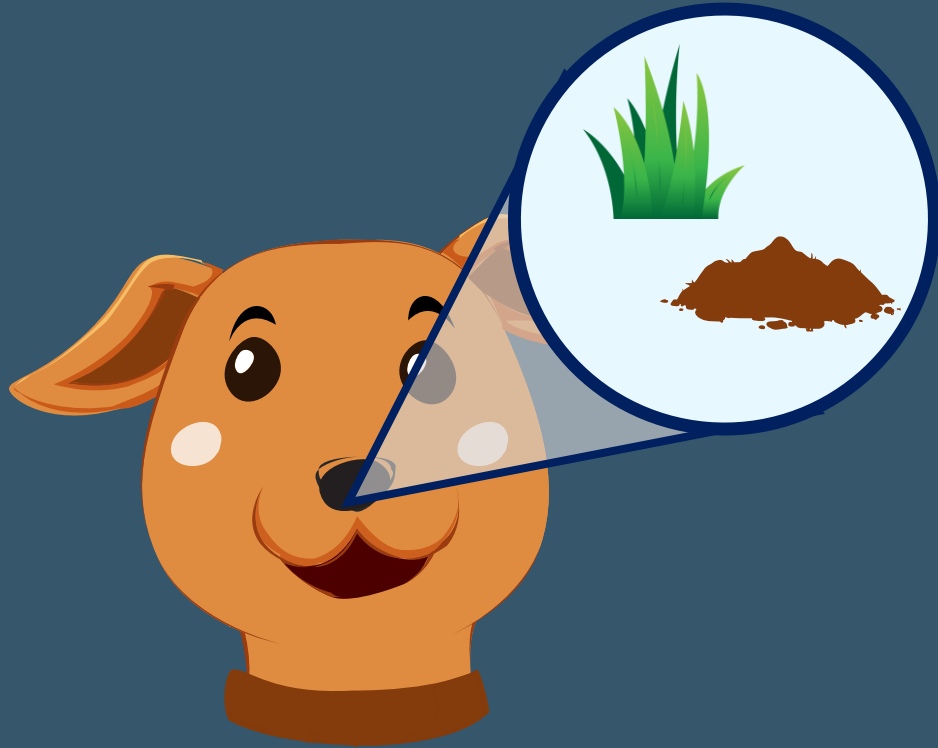
**Dry nose is
uncomfortable**

**Noses work best
when moist**





- **Keep him cool**
- **Dissipates heat through foot pads & by panting**
- **Also utilizes nasal passage as a cooling mechanism**



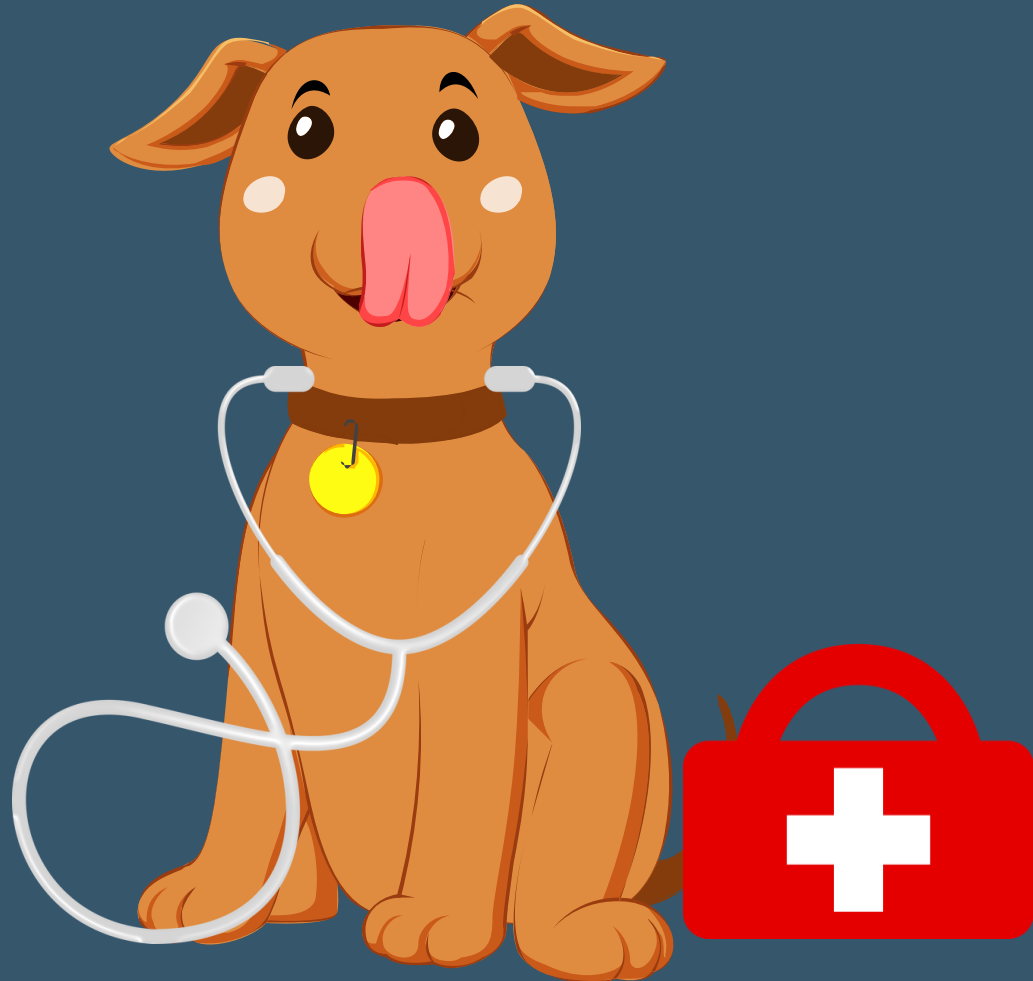
- **There is something on his nose**
- **While sniffing, grass, leaves, puddles, dirt etc may stick to his nose**
- **Licking helps to remove these things & clean previous smells**



- **To stay calm, when confused & anxious**
- **Licks when feels unsure or uncomfortable**
- **Stress hormones are released**
- **Licking reduces stress hormones**



- **Suffering from canine compulsive disorder**
- **Repetitive behavior that don't serve any purpose**
- **Triggered by stress & anxiety**



- **Health problems**
- **Associated with medical issue if suddenly started licking nose excessively**
- **Nasal discharge or blood from his nose**
- **Any injury on the nose or insect bite and bee sting can trigger continual nose licking**