



SANITY

The Adventures of Nicky Newcomer **Sharing the Love**

Cookie, I think we need to expand our family. Serenity is a wonderful cat, but I think we have more love to give.

Now that I have learned to live life on life's terms, I have calmed down and enjoy our home life more.

I love that idea Nicky, but I don't think Serenity would be too happy if we brought home another cat.

WHAT! Another Cat! Are they out of their minds?

... grant me the serenity ...

Why don't we adopt a dog, Nicky. There are so many dogs in shelters who need homes. They have been abandoned by their families just like we were abandoned by our families when we were actively using. We got a second chance at life; let's give a dog a second chance.

We got this brochure in the mail yesterday about a place called Animal Adoptions Anonymous. Let's go there and look.

I love that idea. I have not had a dog since I was a kid.

DOG!

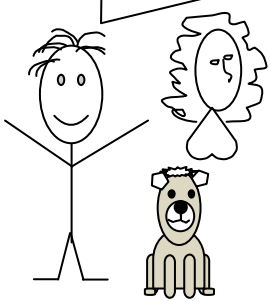
Animal Adoptions Anonymous

There are so many dogs to look at. We both like this one, let's take him outside to get to know him.

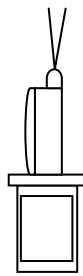
You picked a nice dog Nicky. They have to check to make sure he is cat-friendly.

Please take me home. I want to be part of a family again.

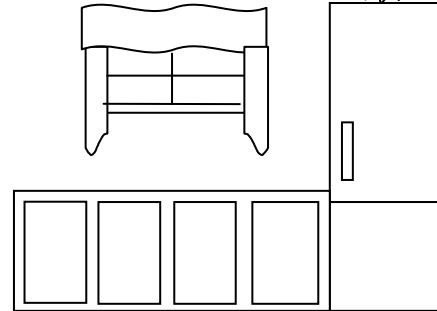
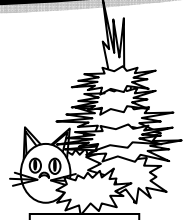
I want to name him Chance, Cookie, because we are giving him a second chance at life just like we have had.



Serenity, we are home, where are you? We have a surprise for you. Here Kitty, Kitty, Kitty, Kitty. Serenity, come see what we brought home.

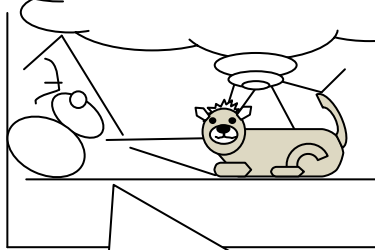


Tell me this is not true. Have they lost their SANITY!

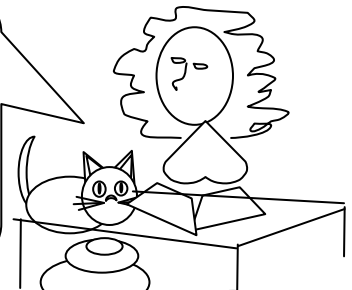


Two weeks later

I am so grateful that this family adopted me.



Serenity keeps stealing my pen and she is purring so loud she distracts me but it's all good because we are all one big happy family now.



Chance has really become a family member now. I just love coming home to a dog. How is your Step work coming along Cookie?

This crazy recovering family is teaching me a lot about life on life's terms and it's pretty cool. I surrendered and gave the dog a Chance and now we are buddies.

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¿Quieres devolver lo que gratuitamente se te ha dado? La Linea de auxilio de NA necesita voluntarios urgentemente!

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