

If a dog bites you, it's important to act quickly to reduce the risk of infection and other complications. Here are the steps you should take:

1. **Wash the wound:** Use mild soap and warm water to clean the bite thoroughly for about 5 to 10 minutes<sup>1</sup>.
2. **Slow the bleeding:** Apply a clean cloth to the wound to help stop the bleeding<sup>1</sup>.
3. **Apply antibiotic cream:** If you have over-the-counter antibiotic cream, apply it to the wound<sup>1</sup>.
4. **Bandage the wound:** Wrap the wound in a sterile bandage<sup>1</sup>.
5. **See a doctor:** It's crucial to get medical attention within 8 hours to reduce the risk of infection<sup>1</sup>.
6. **Watch for signs of infection:** Keep an eye out for redness, swelling, increased pain, or fever<sup>1</sup>.

If the dog is unknown to you, try to get information about its vaccination status, especially for rabies.

How are you feeling? Do you need any more information or support?