

FEEL BETTER, MY BEST FRIEND!



Spike the Dog Has Diabetes



Spike the dog and Sugar the cat are best friends. They do everything together!

They eat, drink, sleep, play, and run around the house. It's fun because they have each other.

One day, Spike didn't want to play with Sugar. He only wanted to take a nap. The next day, it was the same.

"What's wrong, Spike?" asked Sugar.

"Why do you sleep so much?"

"Why are you so thirsty all of the time?"

"Why do you have to go to the bathroom so much?"

Spike was confused. Why didn't he feel good anymore?

His owner noticed these signs, too, and took him to visit Dr. Furry the veterinarian.



Dr. Furry told Spike he needed a blood test and a urine test to see what was wrong, to see if Spike had a disease called diabetes.

“What’s diabetes?” asked Spike.

“Diabetes is a disease in which your body does not properly process food for use as energy. Most of the food we eat is turned into glucose, or sugar, for our bodies to use for energy,” said Dr. Furry.



Spike’s owner didn’t realize he had diabetes because the signs weren’t obvious.

But, once Spike started getting treated with insulin, he felt so much better.

Spike’s owner gives him the medicine and tests his sugar levels, just like humans that have diabetes. Spike can still live a happy and healthy life with diabetes—and spend time with his best friend Sugar!





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