

# The Tennis Ball

There once was a boy named Tom and his dog named Max. Max's favorite toy was a tennis ball with a smiley face. It had a red stain close to his mouth. Every now and then they played outside together. Tom went to school and left Max at home. Max went to get the ball from outside and left it on the kitchen floor.

Tom got home at 4:30 in the afternoon. Tom went looking for Max but he was missing. He checked the house but nothing, when he looked in the kitchen he saw his tennis ball. Tom called the police to help him find his dog. The police went looking for the dog when they found him playing with a man.

The police called Tom and told him that Max was playing with a man. The police was describing the man they said “the man is using a black sweater, black hat and it looks like he has a knife. Tom dropped the phone and went running to the forest. Tom saw the man with Max and said “Hey what are you doing with my dog”. The man went running straight inside the forest until Tom didn’t see him. Tom called Max and went back home. The man saw Tom go home and carefully followed him. It was getting late and Tom went to his room, Max followed him up stairs. The man went through the back door and went up to Tom’s room. He saw Max and called him. They went to the living room to get the tennis ball. Tom heard a barking noise and went down stairs. He thought he saw the man take out the knife and dropped it. It had

blood, but it was not Max's blood it was the man's blood there was the tennis ball looking at Tom and say "play with me". Tom backed away and ran to the back door. Tom stopped and grabbed the tennis ball and dropped it in a big deep hole. Tom went back inside with his dog behind him. In the middle of the night, there was a knock at the door. Max started barking and woke up Tom.

Tom went down stairs to open the door. The man was with the tennis ball and they both said at the same time "PLAY WITH ME".

# THE END

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