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### The Secret Life of Pets

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# Movie Review

**Title:** The Secret Life of Pets

**Main Performers:** Louis C.K., Eric Stonestreet, Kevin Hart

**Director:** Yarrow Cheney, Chris Renaud

**Reviewer:** Charlotte Esplin

**Studio:** Illumination Entertainment

**Year Released:** AaBbCcDd

**Run Time:** 2016

**MPAA Rating:** PG

**Interest Level:** Toddler, Preschool, Primary, Intermediate, Young Adult

**Rating:** Excellent

## Review



Max is used to being his owner's one and only dog - they are best friends and he is completely loyal to her. One day everything changes when Katie brings home a stray dog she picked up at the pound. The two butt heads during a walk and end up being captured by the pound. Here they encounter a crazy bunny that has begun an army of lost pets who want to kill their owners. To try and get away from this group, the pair become close friends and realize that living together won't be so bad after all.

This movie could really symbolize blended families and the need to all get along together. The dogs wanting to get out into the city to save their friends who were taken by the pound symbolizes the true friendship and family bond that can occur when we all look out for each other. The animation was flawless, portraying New York City as though the water was really there. This film appeals to kids aged 2 - 102. There's funny moments and touching moments for all family members to enjoy.