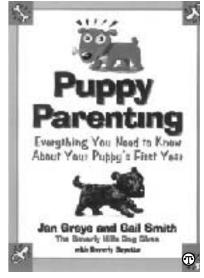


(NAPSA)—They're cute and loveable, huggable and sweet. Most pups are irresistible. But wait. They grow up...if a pup is bought on an impulse and not by using careful consideration, you may be in for trouble later on.



To pet or not to pet, this is the question—not everyone is meant to have a pup for a pet.

That's the advice from a new book, *Puppy Parenting: Everything You Need To Know About Your Puppy's First Year* (ReganBooks, \$23.00) by Jan Greye and Gail Smith.

Greye and Smith examine all the facets of pup parenting starting with the type of dog that best suits you by exploring different breeds.

The authors answer such questions as: What type of dog is gentle with children? What dogs make good guard dogs and what's a basic puppy diet?

Many pet owners say reading a book like *Puppy Parenting* before getting a puppy can make all the difference between a puppy that's loving, fun and well-adjusted and one that is simply not compatible and has to be given away.

Puppy Parenting is available in bookstores.