



DOG TRAINING- PLANNER

Participant:

Please print out the forms and copy it for your training purposes

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Some hints for a successful dog training:

- Please keep all training sessions SHORT. Stop when your dog is still having fun.
- Do the training sessions before your dog's mealtime so he is hungry and eager to work.
- The treats for training should be very small and soft, ready for swallowing. Crunchy ones take too long to chew and leave distracting crumbs at the floor.
- Do not expect that your dog acts straight away like "Lassie". Give him time to understand you.
- Remember, you have to compete against the entire world for your dog's attention!
- Never do dog training under stress or in a bad mood. Your dog can feel this and might not respond.
- Your voice should always sound positive and motivating. Yelling is useless!
- Be patient! Your dog cannot understand our language. Furthermore, he cannot follow our logical thinking.
- Dog training should be fun and exciting for both of you.
- Dog training is not finished after a few months; it lasts a lifetime. Dog training is a bridge of communication between you and your dog.



Dog Training Steps

Always follow the 3 basic steps to teach your dog new behaviors:

1. Get the behavior (Initiating)

Avoid giving any command before your dog understands it's meaning. Since a name without a behavior is useless, you always teach the behavior first! **Do not say any command!**

2. Add the name (Conditioning)

As your dog is doing a trick (sit, down, shake hand...) reliable, start to name it. Say the appropriate word in the very second he is doing it. A word only becomes meaningful when paired with an action over many repetitions. Repeat the name many times, and it will turn into a reflex. Later your dog cannot split this anymore.

6. Generalize the behavior (Motivation)

Move to different locations in your house and repeat the exercise. Go in the garden and repeat it. Try it with the leash on, and without leash.

You may need to go back a few steps, maybe even back to step 2, if the distraction level is too high.

Always let your dog become proficient first, then start teaching another behavior!!!

Good luck!



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