



KEEP IT SIMPLE STUPID DOG TRAINING

BEGINNER CLASS NOTES

Level 1

HARVARD STUDY...50% MORE LEARNING OCCURS
WHEN HAVING FUN AND LAUGHTER IS INVOLVED!!! TRUST
ME IF YOU ARE NOT HAVING FUN NEITHER IS THE DOG AND
NO ONE IS LEARNING...

NEW BEHAVIORS FOR THE WEEK:

1. SOCIAL SKILLS

- a. CRADLE AND MESSAGE
 - i. (FEET, TEETH, EARS, TAIL AND PRIVATES)
 - ii. MUST BE QUIET AND CALM NOT A REV UP GAME
- b. FROM THIS POINT IF I AM TALKING... YOU MUST BE DOING CRADLE AND MESSAGE
- c. BARKING...WHAT ARE YOU ALLOWING YOUR DOG TO PRACTICE?
 - i. IF YOUR DOG IS BARKING LEAVE THE ROOM!
 - ii. DO NOT MAKE EYE CONTACT
 - iii. UNTIL CALM YOU CANNOT MOVE TO THE NEXT LEVEL
 - iv. IF YOU CANNOT GET UNDER CONTROL YOU WILL HAVE TO SWITCH TO PRIVATE LESSONS... FULL CREDIT OF GROUP PRICE TO PRIVATE TRAINING...
- d. HAND FEEDING!
 - i. EASY, GENTLE AND WAIT
- e. 50 FIRST DATES!

2. BASIC COMMANDS

- a. MARKS

- b. NO REWARD
- c. RELEASE (ALL DONE)
 - i. UNLESS YOU ARE HAND FEEDING YOU ARE NEVER ALLOWED TO HAND FOOD TO THE DOG... THEY COME TO YOU ON THE RELEASE!
- d. DON'T BOTHER WITH A NEG MARK
- 3. THE COMMANDS... STAY COMES LATER
 - a. WATCH ME
 - b. SIT
 - c. CHIN
 - d. DOWN
 - e. TOUCH/RELEASE (ALL DONE)/ STAND
 - i. IT'S ALL PRETTY MUCH THE SAME
- 4. COME WHEN CALLED/ RECALL
 - a. PING PONG
- 5. LEASH SKILLS
 - a. DON'T TURN YOUR BACK ON ME
 - b. NO WORDS AND NO COMMANDS
 - c. AUTO SITS!!!!

NOTES:

The Keep it Simple Stupid (KISS) Dog Training

Pledge to Great Dog Ownership...

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What is expected in the Dog Training Process?

1. Dog training is about consistency and frequency of practice... If you don't practice daily (short intervals 10-15 minutes a couple times a day) don't expect any results
2. Dog training is 70% management (paying attention to the dog and eliminating the opportunity to make mistakes) and 30% training....
3. Your Veterinarian should be part of the training process. Keep him or her in the loop with all aspects of your training...
4. Keep your dog up to date on vaccinations and do at least one well check visit each year!
5. If I send you books or articles they too are part of the training process and you need to read and review them to make sure you completely understand the process
6. Each person in the family must be on the same page and pulling the rope to successes rather than not helping and leading to failure...
7. Your dog's behavior and well-being is your responsibility and it is up to you to be an advocate for your dog. Never put them in a situation they cannot handle
8. Your dog is a lifetime commitment... Your job is to keep them happy, healthy and safe
9. Understanding that dogs have just as many personalities as people and that expecting your dog's personality to conform to yours is not always feasible...
10. Looking for or expecting a quick fix will only guarantee one thing, frustration and disappointment on your part...
11. Schedule changes or cancellations need to happen with at least 48 hours' notice... No threats or policies, just the right thing to do! :-)

Client/Owner Signature _____

Date _____

Trainer Signature _____

Date _____