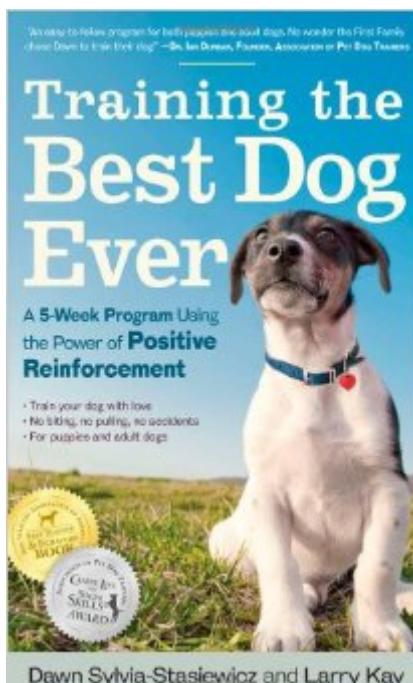


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Training The Best Dog Ever: A 5-Week Program Using The Power Of Positive Reinforcement



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Synopsis

Training the Best Dog Ever, originally published in hardcover as The Love That Dog Training Program, is a book based on love and kindness. It features a program of positive reinforcement and no-fail techniques that author Dawn Sylvia-Stasiewicz used to train the White House dog, Bo Obama, and each of Senator Ted Kennedy's dogs, among countless others. Training the Best Dog Ever relies on trust and treats, not choke collars; on bonding, not leash-yanking or reprimanding. The five-week training program takes only 10 to 20 minutes of practice a day and works both for puppies and for adult dogs that need to be trained out of bad habits. Illustrated with step-by-step photographs, the book covers hand-feeding; crate and potty training; and basic cues—“sit, stay, come here”—as well as more complex goals, such as bite inhibition and water safety. It shows how to avoid or correct typical behavior problems, including jumping, barking, and leash-pulling. Plus: how to make your dog comfortable in the world—a dog that knows how to behave in a vet's office, is at ease around strangers, and more. In other words, the best dog ever.

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Customer Reviews

I'm doing my Certificate IV in Companion Animals with Delta and this book aligned with everything I am learning and was of terrific assistance. It was so helpful in my studies and such an easy to follow, 5 star read. Recommended to anyone about to endeavour dog ownership or already owning a dog. A must have :-). If only everybody who owned a dog, followed what this book has to offer. Magic.

This is excellent for people with new puppies. There are some parts that help for people with older dogs. Worth reading.

Excellent product. Our dog used to dart out the door when anyone came but now he won't go out of the garage or off the front porch. Thank you

Great guide and has been working out great with our Westie puppy. A very positive approach and it works on the stubborn Terrier. It is resulting in a real win for dog and owner. Teaches the dog to watch your signals.

This book is a wonderful guide for training a dog. The book is helpful and encouraging. I am continually grateful to the author and to this book for its clear explanations of her philosophy, the specific weekly plans with short, "homework" sessions, and the workbook like style at the end of the book to help one keep focused. What I like is it breaks down each goal into manageable pieces, which makes one feel less overwhelmed and more likely to be patient in the training process. We just got our second dog from a shelter-a 5 year old boxer mix. She is responding better each day to the 10 minute a day homework and is walking and paying attention to us much better than she was when she came home a week ago. Our first dog was 2 years old when we adopted him and is now 9. He is benefitting from the new dog's training by getting treats and he is even listening better! I think that we can feel impatient with dog training in general and leave positive techniques behind for aversive techniques like choke chains and yelling. Reading the author's encouragement to be patient and knowing that there is a long term plan, while working on small sections, makes a big difference in terms of helping one stick to the training and bond in a positive way with your dog.

Okay, reviews aren't my favorite thing to do, but this one is important. As a middle aged man I decided to get a dog for my kids, and this book seemed interesting since it uses positive reinforcement methods for training, the same approach I took with my kids. IT WORKS! My Portuguese Water Dog is 18 months old and gets compliments wherever we go. I have yet to take her to a trainer, and most people ask me who did her training and are amazed when I tell them that she was simply trained using this book. It's a lot of work early on, but pays huge dividends in a short amount of time.

Very good read! Bought this and Cesar's book. This one wins hands down! I referred to it every day

while training our dalmatian and lab. Cesar's was more stories, this one told me what to work on and how to do it!

If you've never trained a dog before, this is the book for you. Full of great, SIMPLE tips and training techniques.

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