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Getting Started: Clicker Training for Dogs

by Karen Pryor

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Description:

Getting Started: Clicker Training for Dogs

Karen Pryor's clicker training is the most compelling demonstration of dog training that I have ever seen. No dog should go without this information. Nicholas Dodman, D.V.M., The Dog Who Loved Too Much

Through several editions, and a name change to Getting Started: Clicker Training for Dogs, this classic has served up just the right portion of science and practical tips for anyone to understand why clicker training works so well, and the first steps to building a new system of communication and deeper bond with their dog.

Now, this powerful little book has become more helpful than ever in a new edition packed with step-by-step photographs of dogs and their handlers, clearly showing each stage of:

- Shaping a behavior
- Choosing and delivering a reward
- Raising criteria
- Target training
- Timing the click
- How to progress in small steps
- Clicker training foundation behaviors, including Sit, Down, and Come when Called
- Clicker training walking on a loose leash
- Teaching a dog to be clicker savvy with the classic game 101 Things to do with a Box
- Training alone, with a partner, and in a group
- Keeping training fun for you and your dog

Throughout, the easy-to-read text explains the science of behavior and learning that makes clicker training so effective, including:

- Why every interaction with your dog is a training opportunity
- Why mistakes are best ignored
- Why punishment doesn't work
- Why your dog will understand the language of the click better than anything else

An all-new chapter on where to find more information and connect with other clicker trainers completes this invaluable new edition, along with Frequently Asked Questions and Clicker Tips.

If you're curious about clicker training and want to learn more, begin with Getting Started: Clicker Training for Dogs. If you've tried clicker training, and know that it works, keep Getting Started: Clicker Training for Dogs in your library to review the underlying principles and basic techniques. If you already have a copy of earlier editions, be sure to add this new edition to your library for its more than 70 photographs of clicker training in action. If you are instructor or professional trainer, it is the beginners' reference on which you can rely.

Getting Started: Clicker Training for Dogs. It's the first step to the world of clicker training.

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See how to get started to clicker train your dog. The basis of clicker training lies in operant conditioning, which is a scientific term that describes the way animals learn from the consequences of certain behaviors. Positive reinforcement is a type of operant conditioning often used in dog training. Since you will be offering a lot of treats, try to use smaller (but still enticing) treats that your dog enjoys. For an easy, low-cost option, use small pieces of unseasoned cooked turkey or chicken during your training. Start in a Calm Setting. Begin with your dog in a quiet area without any distractions. Ideally, this training should be done w Being a dog training expert herself Darlene suggests several best dog training books that she “can recommend for dogs of all sizes and breeds”. With these books, she says, «the training is positive and easy. Even a child can do it". Getting Started: Clicker Training for Dogs by Karen Pryor. If you are curious about clicker training and want to give it a try, Getting Started: Clicker Training for Dogs is the place to begin. Karen Pryor’s readable, entertaining chapters introduce you to the why’s and how’s of clicker training from choosing a treat and timing the click to training a trick. New to Some credit Trainer Gary Wilkes with introducing clicker training for dogs to the general public, but Karen Pryor was really the first to spread the idea with her articles, books (Don't Shoot the Dog is still the foundation) and seminars. Gary joined her early on before going solo. But B.F. Skinner first introduced the idea to the public in a December, 1951 Scientific American article "How to Train Animals". Pryor, Karen "Getting Started: Clicker Training for Cats" (2012, Karen Pryor Clickertraining), ISBN 978-1-890948-14-6 (Kindle edition). Pryor, Karen, "Getting Started: Clicker Training for Dogs" (2004, Interpret Publishing), ISBN 1-86054-282-4. Pryor, Karen, "Reaching the Animal Mind: Clicker Training and What It Teaches Us About All Animals" (2010, Scribner)