

THE INNER DOG



POSITIVE SOLUTIONS FOR NEGATIVE BEHAVIORS

HOW WE TRAIN / TRAINING TIPS

1. ***A dog is a living breathing species just like us, with good and bad days, enjoyments, frustrations, aggravations, short attention spans, etc.***
2. A dog's life should be **Eat, Sleep & Play.**
3. Training is not a spectator sport, you must participate to achieve.
4. Your **presence, posture and tone of voice** determine how your dog will respond to you.
5. **Positive training** creates a **positive bond.**
6. **Training** must be **FUN** in order for your dog to learn.
7. **Dogs learn through repetition** (ever hear of Pavlov?).
8. **What goes down the lead comes up the lead-** your dog reacts to your every emotion, especially when on the leash.
9. **Never yell at your dog!** It's a waste of time: he doesn't understand what you're saying.
10. **Patience, patience, patience.** Neither you, nor your dog, learned everything in a day.
11. **You must supervise** in order to teach, change, correct, or reward behavior.
12. We must be **consistent** with praise, rewards and discipline.
13. **Your dog won't listen if you can't get his attention.** You'll use 'watch me' for the rest of his life.
14. **Redirect** inappropriate behavior.
15. **Training is a lifelong process.** If you stop practicing, your dog will forget. Teach new tricks, play new games, practice commands in new places. Keep training interesting, dogs love to learn.