

Recommended Reading

* Dog owners who simply want to train their dog to live in the human world can get by reading the books marked with one star.

** If you really want to get a solid understanding of training and learning theory, read the books marked with two stars.

Calming Signals by Turrid Rugaas.

Learn to understand what dogs are trying to say to us with their bodies.

* **Culture Clash** by Jean Donaldson (1996). Berkeley, CA: James & Kenneth Publishers.

The best dog philosophy and training book I have ever read. This book will change how you communicate with your dog forever. If there is one book for veterinary professionals and owners to read, it would be this book.

* **Clicking with Your Dog** by Peggy Tillman (2001). Waltham, MA: Sunshine Books, Inc.

A step-by-step explanation of how to clicker train your dog with easy to follow pictures.

** **Don't Shoot the Dog: The New Art of Teaching and Training** by Karen Pryor (1984). New York: Bantam Books.

Operant Conditioning in everyday life. Learn to use these principles on your dog, your child, spouse, boss, etc. This is the clicker "bible." A must read for the newbie clicker trainer and for the more experienced. While this book does not focus on dog training it explains operant conditioning as it pertains to all training. It is easy to read, without lots of jargon, and has real life examples thrown in that gives the book perspective.

** **Excel-erated Learning** by Pamela Reid (1996). Oakland, CA: James & Kenneth Publishers.

This book is great for understanding learning theory. It will help you to understand the vocabulary behind the science of learning.

****How Dogs Learn** Burch and Bailey (2000).

This is a "must have" book. It is a style of book that is a combination of the books Culture Clash and Accelerated Learning. Clicker Training for Dogs by Karen Pryor (1999). Waltham, MA: Sunshine Books, Inc.

This is the best book to get you started. It may also be purchased with a clicker. This book was previously known as "A Dog and A Dolphin 2.0."

Clicker Fun: Dog Tricks & Games by Debra Jones, Ph.D. (1998). A useful source for teaching tricks.

Click for Success by Lana Mitchell (1998). Hillsboro, OR: Lana Mitchell Publishing. A quick reference guide.

Clicker Training for Obedience by Morgan Spector (1999). Waltham, MA: Sunshine Books, Inc. This book is a must once you have learned clicker training and want to take it one step further.

Dogs are From Neptune by Jean Donaldson (1998). Montreal, Quebec: Lasar Multimedia Productions Inc. Discusses treatments for behavior problems, a follow-up to Culture Clash.

Dog Language: An Encyclopedia of Canine Behavior by Roger Abrantes (1997). Naperville, Illinois: Wakan Tanka Publishers. The best book on dog communication.

The Toolbox for Remodeling Your Problem Dog by Terry Ryan (1998). New York: Howell Book House.

Games People Play (vol 1 & 2) by Terry Ryan (1996). Pullman, WA: Legacy by Mail. Great class game ideas. Everything from musical chairs to tic tac

toe!

Teaching Clicker Classes Debra Jones, Ph.D. (1996). Published by Debra Jones.

My classes were originally developed from this book.

Perfect Puppy by Gwen Bailey (1995). Pleasantville, NY: The Reader's Digest Association, Inc.

The best puppy book in print.

Dog Behavior and Training: Veterinary Advice for Owners Ackerman, Lowell (Editor) (1996). Neptune City, NJ: TFH Publications, Inc.

Lads before the Wind by Karen Pryor (1975). North Bend, WA: Sunshine Books.

The "queen" of clicker training explains the use of operant conditioning in an entertaining style.

On Behavior by Karen Pryor (1995). North Bend, WA: Sunshine Books.

For the advanced student of behavior. Excerpts from Pryor's many publications with commentary about the effects of that work. An enjoyable read.

Perfect Puppy: How to Choose a Dog by its Behavior by Benjamin Hart, D.V.M., Lynette A. Hart (1997 - ninth printing). W.H. Freeman and Company.

The first "buyers guide" for choosing the appropriate breed.

The Right Dog For You: Choosing a Breed That Matches Your Personality, Family and Life-style by Daniel F. Tortora, Ph.D. (1980) Fireside - Simon and Schuster, Inc.

Excellent for pre-purchase counseling.

Your Purebred Puppy: A Buyers Guide by Michele Lowell (1990). Canada, Fitzhenry & Whiteside.

Excellent for pre-purchase counseling.

Genetics and the Social Behavior of the Dog by John Paul Scott and John L. Fuller (1965). Chicago, IL: The University of Chicago Press

The Domestic Dog: its evolution, behavior and interactions with people Edited by James Serpell (1995) Cambridge University Press
Handbook of Applied Dog Behavior and Training Vol. 1: Adaptation and Learning by Steven R. Lindsay (2000). Iowa State University Press.