



Beginner Obedience Homework - Week Four

Skills to practice:

Look: Hold a treat out as distraction when you ask your dog to look at you. Click when they look at you instead of at the treat.

Go to Bed - Try to increase the distance you send your dog to their mat/bed/blanket from.

Duration & Distance Stay - Work on adding a slight bit of distance to your dog's Sit Stays. Just a step or two away and then right back to your dog to reward and release.

Down Stay - Work on staying in the down position.

Handling - Practice handling your dog's ears, paws, tails, etc every day while feeding treats. Also work on creating/maintaining a positive association with reaching for/handling your dog's collar/harness while delivering a treat.

Leave It - Work on slowly opening your hand after you've said leave it. Make sure to quickly close your hand if your dog goes for the treat. Don't let them reward themselves for ignoring the Leave It cue.

Recall - Repeat the Name Game from week one with a longer lead. Begin to say "Come" as your dog is coming towards you. For example, "Bailey, Come!" Click as your dog is halfway to you and deliver a treat when they get to you.

Reminder: Bring a dog food bowl next week.