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## Behavior Resources



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There are a number of excellent books and training guides available that are intended to teach pet owners how to apply the basic principles of learning and training in a humane, effective, and logical manner. At the other extreme, there are many training books and manuals written by self-professed experts who advocate techniques that may be scientifically unsound, inappropriate, or inhumane. Following these latter techniques will seldom lead to improvement of the problem and might even aggravate some conditions.

The best way to select a book, video, or training manual is to seek the guidance or recommendation of a veterinarian, behaviorist, or obedience trainer whom you trust and respect. It can also be useful to assess the background, expertise, and, in particular, the education of the author(s). Be certain that the book you choose covers the training techniques, products, and topics for which you are seeking assistance. In general, the most recent publications will include the most recent advances in behavior, training, and products. However, some of the older texts are the best resources for obtaining a sound understanding of the psychology of learning and the basic behavior of dogs and cats. Although inclusion in the reference list below is not intended to be an endorsement, the publications mentioned have been screened and are included based on the following criteria:

- The author has a sound knowledge of basic canine and feline behavior.
- Training techniques emphasize positive reinforcement, motivation, and shaping rather than punishment.
- Training is designed to promote desirable behavior rather than to correct or punish undesirable behavior.

Note that while many of the books and DVDs are available from bookstores and online book distributors, some titles are most easily acquired from Dogwise.com.

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## **WEBSITES FOR ASSOCIATIONS & FURTHER BEHAVIOR INFORMATION**

Academy of Veterinary Behavioral Technicians – [avbt.net](http://avbt.net)

American Association of Feline Practitioners = [catvets.com](http://catvets.com)

American Animal Hospital Association – [www.healthypet.com](http://www.healthypet.com)

American College of Veterinary Behaviorists – [www.dacvb.org](http://www.dacvb.org)

American Humane Society – [www.americanhumane.org](http://www.americanhumane.org)

American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior – [www.avsonline.org](http://www.avsonline.org)

Animal Behavior Society – [www.animalbehaviorsociety.org/](http://www.animalbehaviorsociety.org/)

Animal Behavior Resources Institute – [abrionline.org](http://abrionline.org)

Applied Ethology – [www.usask.ca/wcvm/herdmed/applied-ethology](http://www.usask.ca/wcvm/herdmed/applied-ethology)

Association of Pet Behavior Counsellors – [www.apbc.org.uk](http://www.apbc.org.uk)

Association of Pet Dog Trainers – [www.apdt.com](http://www.apdt.com)

Association for the Study of Animal Behavior – [www.asab.org](http://www.asab.org)

Canadian Association of Pet Dog Trainers – [www.cappdt.ca](http://www.cappdt.ca)

Canadian Veterinary Medical Association – [www.animalhealthcare.ca](http://www.animalhealthcare.ca)

Catalyst Council – [www.catalystcouncil.org](http://www.catalystcouncil.org)

Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist - [www.certifiedappliedbehaviorist.com/](http://www.certifiedappliedbehaviorist.com/)

Cornell University Behavior Service - [www.vet.cornell.edu/abc](http://www.vet.cornell.edu/abc)

Companion Animal Behavior Therapy Study Group – [www.cabtsg.org](http://www.cabtsg.org)

Certification Council of Professional Dog Trainers – [ccpdt.org](http://ccpdt.org)

Denver Dumb Friends League – [www.ddfl.org](http://www.ddfl.org)

Dog Welfare Campaign – [www.dogwelfarecampaign.org](http://www.dogwelfarecampaign.org)

European College of Veterinary Behavioral Medicine Companion Animals – (recently changed to European College of Animal Welfare and Behavioural Medicine) - [www.ecvbm.org](http://www.ecvbm.org)

European Society of Veterinary Clinical Ethology – [www.ecawbm.org](http://www.ecawbm.org)

Feline Advisory Bureau – [fabcats.org](http://fabcats.org)

Indoor Pet Initiative – Ohio State University – [www.indoorpet.osu.edu](http://www.indoorpet.osu.edu)

International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants – [www.iaabc.org](http://www.iaabc.org)  
International Positive Dog Training Association – [www.ipdta.org](http://www.ipdta.org)  
International Society for Applied Ethology – [www.applied-ethology.org/](http://www.applied-ethology.org/)  
International Society for Anthrozoology – [www.isaz.net](http://www.isaz.net)  
National Association of Dog Obedience Instructors – [www.nadoi.org](http://www.nadoi.org)  
Society of Veterinary Behavior Technicians – [www.svbt.org](http://www.svbt.org)  
UC Davis Center for Companion Animal Behavior – [www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/CCAB/main.htm](http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/CCAB/main.htm)  
University of Georgia Applied Animal Behavior Service - <http://www.vet.uga.edu/var/services/behavior.php>  
University of Minnesota School of Veterinary Medicine Behavior Service - <http://www.cvm.umn.edu/vmc/>  
Veterinary Information Network – [www.vin.com](http://www.vin.com)  
Veterinary Partner – <http://www.veterinarypartner.com>

## **OTHER RESOURCES & WEBSITES**

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Bailey B. Operant conditioning and animal training DVD's – [www.dogwise.com](http://www.dogwise.com)  
Blue Dog (child safety) [www.thebluedog.org](http://www.thebluedog.org)  
Canine cognitive dysfunction – [www.cdsindogs.com](http://www.cdsindogs.com)  
Clicker training resources (Karen Pryor) – [www.clickertraining.com](http://www.clickertraining.com)  
Doggone safe – [www.doggonessafe.com](http://www.doggonessafe.com) (safety with children and clicker training resources)  
Dogs, Cats & Kids: Learning to be safe with animals, Wayne Hunthausen, DVM and Don Manelli - <http://www.dogscatskids.com/>  
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Pet Safety DVD - [bowwowow.com](http://www.bowwowow.com)  
Pet safety: [www.deltasocietyaustralia.com.au/](http://www.deltasocietyaustralia.com.au/)  
Pet safety: [www.growingupwithpets.ca](http://www.growingupwithpets.ca), [www.growingupwithpets.com](http://www.growingupwithpets.com)  
Sophia Yin resources and videos – [www.drSophiaYin.com](http://www.drSophiaYin.com)

## **HUMAN-ANIMAL BOND & PET LOSS**

Association for Pet Loss & Bereavement – [www.aplb.org](http://www.aplb.org)  
Center for the Integrative Study of Animal Behavior – [www.indiana.edu/~animal/index.html](http://www.indiana.edu/~animal/index.html)  
Center for the Interaction of Animals and Society – <http://www2.vet.upenn.edu/research/centers/cias/>  
CENSHARE – Center to Study Human Animal Relationships and Environment (University of Minnesota) - [www.censhare.umn.edu](http://www.censhare.umn.edu)  
Delta Society – [www.deltasociety.org](http://www.deltasociety.org)  
Human Animal Bond Resources Central - [www.habcentral.org](http://www.habcentral.org)  
Pet Loss Support Hotlines – [www.avma.org/careforanimals/animatedjourneys/goodbyefriend/plhotlines.asp](http://www.avma.org/careforanimals/animatedjourneys/goodbyefriend/plhotlines.asp)  
Pet Loss Support – Ontario Veterinary College – [www.ovc.uoguelph.ca/petloss/](http://www.ovc.uoguelph.ca/petloss/)  
Pet Loss Support – Purdue – <http://www.vet.purdue.edu/chab/loss.htm>  
Pet Loss Support – University of Florida – [http://neuro.vetmed.ufl.edu/alt\\_med/petgrief/petloss.htm](http://neuro.vetmed.ufl.edu/alt_med/petgrief/petloss.htm)  
Pet Loss Support – Washington State University – <http://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/PLHL/home/index.asp>  
Purdue Center for the Human Animal Bond – [www.vet.purdue.edu/chab](http://www.vet.purdue.edu/chab)