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#### **Editorial Review**

#### From Publishers Weekly

While such recent entries into the dog obedience market as Linda Colflesh's Making Friends, Bashkim Dibra's Dog Training by Bash and the Monks of New Skete's The Art of Raising a Puppy wow the canine-happy with authorial charm and painstaking thoroughness, this volume aims to please by virtue of its succinct, pared-down approach. Volhard and Bartlett, the author and illustrator, respectively, of Teaching Dog Obedience Classes, march the reader through exercises designed to produce a ``good'' dog: i.e., one that is housetrained, comes when called, has no bad habits, stays when told and does not pull when walked. However, they may overestimate their audience. Only a novice owner who is endowed with unusual powers of deduction will be able to fruitfully apply directions like ``Distract and do something pleasant for the dog.'' Devotees of training manuals, on the other hand, may pick up some worthwhile tips: reinforce your status as leader by having the dog sit and stay when you need to open the door. Illustrations not seen by PW.

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#### From the Back Cover

#### The Bestselling dog training book—completely updated, but still refreshingly uncomplicated

Apractical guide to positive dog training, *What All Good Dogs Should Know: The Sensible Way to Train* forgoes philosophy and fluff and quickly gets to the how-tos. With a conversational, easy-to-understand approach, this expanded, revised second edition:

- Covers basic commands, including "Leave It"
- Includes information about walking on a leash, housetraining, and other "good dog" behaviors
- Features a new chapter on the canine personality profile to help you understand your dog better
- Addresses issues common to rescue and shelter dogs, including shyness and insecurity
- Covers ways to correct objectionable behaviors

Punctuated with original cartoon drawings and real-life examples, this book gives you proven techniques for training a puppy or an older dog. You will learn how to establish yourself as the leader of the pack and help your dog become a great companion.

#### About the Author

**Jack Volhard**, internationally known as a "trainer of trainers," is the recipient of six awards from the Dog Writers Association of America (DWAA). He is senior author of *Training Your Dog: The Step-by-Step Manual* (Howell Book House, 1983), named Best Care and Training Book for 1983 by the DWAA; *The Canine Good Citizen: Every Dog Can Be One* (Howell Book House, 1994), named Best Care and Training Book for 1994 by the DWAA; *Puppy Aptitude Testing*, named Best Film on Dogs in 1981; and, among other books, *Dog Training For Dummies* (Wiley Publishing, 2005). His books have been translated into four languages. He has also written numerous articles for various dog publications, and together with his wife, Wendy, produced four training videos.

For forty years he has taught obedience classes and given lectures, weekend seminars, and five-day training camps, teaching dog owners how to communicate with their pets and how to make training fun for both owners and their dogs, thereby achieving a mutually rewarding relationship.

Jack was an American Kennel Club Obedience Trial Judge for thirty-three years and is now an Obedience

Judge Emeritus. He is also a member of the Hall of Fame of the International Association of Canine Professionals.

**Melissa Bartlett**'s animal artwork has won top prizes nationally and has been featured in magazines such as *Sporting Classics* and *Just Labs*. She has also been named Dog Cartoonist of the Year by the Dog Writers Association of America, and her first article, "A Novice Looks at Puppy Aptitude Testing," published by the *AKC Gazette*, appeared in 1979. Since then her numerous articles and delightful illustrations have been included in various publications. In addition to co-authoring *What All Good Dogs Should Know*, she has illustrated three other books on dog training.

Years ago, she trained her first obedience dog with Jack and Wendy Volhard. Since then she has gone on to successfully compete with her own dogs in conformation, obedience, and carting events, as well as instruct dog-training classes for the family pet. Melissa and her Bernese Mountain Dog are a familiar sight at local schools, nursing homes, and retirement centers doing dog-therapy work. She is also an active advocate for shelter dogs and rescue groups and owns a rescued Australian Shepherd.

#### **Users Review**

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The actual book What All Good Dogs Should Know: The Sensible Way to Train has a lot info on it. So when you read this book you can get a lot of profit. The book was compiled by the very famous author. Mcdougal makes some research previous to write this book. This book very easy to read you can get the point easily after reading this article book.

#### **Robert Cobb:**

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