

The trick of shaking hands is very readily taught. Grasp the dog's paw in your hand and repeat the word of command, whatever it may be. After the dog has learned what is expected of him it may be well to tap the paw, not too sharply, with a stick on giving the word of command that he may learn to lift it quickly. It is a mistake, however, to strike the dog with a whip to persuade him or even to have a whip in sight during the training hour.

The familiar "dead dog" trick may be taught to any ordinarily bright dog in a few lessons. The dog should be placed in the position desired and held there while the word of command is repeated. After the dog has learned what is expected of him it will be unnecessary to touch him. It will be enough to stand over him with a threatening hand. If it be desired to have the dog fall down and lie as if dead when you point a stick or gun at him, the stick must be used from the first. The dog must associate the stick with the word of command. If you want the dog to spring up at a second command, repeat the word, at the same time lifting the dog sharply to its feet.

The ancient handkerchief and slipper tricks are equally simple. If the dog is to fetch the slippers, repeat the word "slippers," or whatever the command may be, and while dinning it into his ears, lead the dog to the slippers, place them in his mouth, hold them there, and lead him back. Good results are sometimes obtained by substituting a piece of meat for the slippers until the meaning of the command has been made clear. In teaching a dog to hide a handkerchief put the handkerchief in his mouth, and while repeating the command over and over again put him through the exercises.

An unusual trick among pet dogs is that of crawling along on their stomachs with all feet extended. This is rarely seen off the stage, and yet it is a comparatively simple trick to teach. Place the dog in the position desired and hold him firmly with one hand pressed on his back. Now, to make your meaning clear take the same position yourself on the floor beside him, repeating the word of command as in other tricks. With the dog held in the same position, you now crawl as nearly as possible as you wish him to crawl. It is surprising how quickly the dog will learn this apparently difficult trick and carry it out at a word.

The more difficult tricks follow naturally. It is little more difficult to teach a dog to walk on his front or hind legs or dance at the word of command. The general rule in all this instruction is to put the dog through the trick gently and firmly while repeating the command, and at the same time, whenever possible, give the dog an object lesson by taking the same position yourself. Thus, to teach a dog to walk on its front legs with its body held upright, place one hand on the dog's neck, holding his leg up with the other. Now repeat the command at the same time, suiting the action to the words and moving him forward. Naturally this takes longer than some of the similar tricks. It will be a matter of weeks before the dog will become letter perfect. The trick is an exceedingly attractive one, however, and will well repay the labor and patience required.

The little dog that runs in and out and about the cow's legs at the circus, describing close curled figure eights, always delights the audience, and here again is a trick within the intelligence of the average pet dog. Stand with your feet well apart and put the dog through the exercise a few times daily. He will learn the trick in a surprisingly short time. As he becomes more familiar with the exercise his pace may be quickened until he becomes, to the average observer, a very highly trained trick dog.

A small dog may be taught to stand balancing himself on your hand or knee, or even on your head, if you are willing to go about it in the right way. The same general rule applies in this trick as in all others. Put the dog patiently through the exercise again and again, until the trick is firmly established in his mind. It is important that you should never let him slip or fall or in any way shake his confidence in you.

A lesson should not extend much over half an hour. One lesson a day will be quite enough for most dogs and never more than two lessons should be given on the same day. The time for teaching the tricks should come at about the same hour, so that the dog may learn to expect them and be ready for them. All work and no play will defeat one's purpose. It will be found far better in all cases to make haste slowly.

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The services are for all the people of Pinehurst and the Minister in Charge is at the disposition of the people of the Village in any way he can be of service.

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