DOWN

Level 1: Capture a Down Position

GOAL: To capture a down position when your dog is naturally tired.

STEP 1:

In the evening, especially after exercise, have your dog on leash with clicker and treats handy. Have a book handy or the TV on to a program you are only mildly interested in.

TAG POINT:

Pretend to ignore your dog.

STEP 2:

Run the leash under your knees as you sit in a chair or on the couch. Give your dog enough leash to be able to lie down comfortably.

TAG POINT:

Slack in the leash

STEP 3:

Watch TV or read your book. Keep an eye on your dog. When he lies down, click then toss the treat so he must get up to eat it. Continue until you have given 10 clicks / treats.

CLICK POINT:

Belly hits floor.

TAG POINTS:

Toss treat to reset •
Ignore your dog •
Say nothing

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