



I adopted a 10-month old Border Collie mix from the SPCA. I'm *at least* his third home. He is filled with personality, energy, and a will of his own. I looked forward to walks with him, but his energy, strength and insatiable curiosity for everything around him made walks a chore. My arms were more sore than my legs! From years of watching The Dog Whisperer, Cesar Milan, on TV, I thought I had all of the dog psychology and training theory down pat, but I just wasn't able to execute properly.

Fortunately, for both of us, Victor had a class coming up soon through ARD. He has the same philosophy as Cesar (I won't debate which chicken or egg came first as far as training techniques are concerned).

I saw tremendous results after the very first class with my Tucker. You wouldn't believe he's the same dog. He is learning so much and I am enjoying my walks!

During class, Victor notices what's going on with everyone and their dogs...and he's ready with a suggestion, correction, or technique for any problem you mention. Big dogs, little dogs...he's got them covered.

We're signed up for the Intermediate class and looking forward to learning even more. Plus, all this new exercise I'm getting, I should make a svelte Mother-of-the-Bride by September!

Pat Ferguson and Tucker May 2011