

## To K9-101 Parents:

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I thank Victor so much for the incredible training my dog Brady & I have received. *The best honor I ever gave my dog, was to teach him.*

We adopted Brady at 3 years old, and had him for about 6 months before I decided to enroll him in an obedience class. I did not enjoy taking Brady for walks or to places where people were around because he was **undisciplined** and pushy. I knew he was a smart dog, as he had learned a few tricks in the past, but I couldn't get him to do everything I wanted him to.

I quickly came to realize this is a class for the parents, not the pets. When I started lessons with Victor, I received far more knowledge and practical advice than I ever expected. All that was required of me was to listen and be willing to work with my dog "consistently, insistent & persistently".

After the very first lesson, Brady started out confused, but because I made our training a pattern, he quickly came to respect me and do what I was showing him. Brady & I were quick learners and mastered basic elements with great satisfaction. I was finally enjoying our daily walks, even looking for opportunities to show off what he could do.

You have to be willing to trust Victor, because he has had incredible training himself and he can teach you ***anything!!!*** He can prevent habits in a new puppy, or even 'teach an old dog new tricks'. He does not want to see you or your dog unhappy. Since dogs usually become members of the family, they operate much better when they get boundaries and responsibilities. This may mean that you need to step out of your comfort zone with something he asks you to do. For me, it was training with the prong collar, for I was initially fervently opposed. However it works and you have to trust that he does not want to hurt your 'child' but wants them to understand. It was the most amazing thing I could have used for Brady.

Victor changed my view on training, showing how every dog deserves to be their very best. I promise that you will never regret the outcome of a well-taught companion!

*Sarah Turcotte*