

How-To Get a Doggy Kiss

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Instructions to get a doggy kiss

This trick utilizes positive reinforcement so find what really motivates your pup whether it's yummy treats, play or pets – my girl is very food motivated.

It helps to teach your pup when they're a bit tired after a nice long walk or after playtime.

I personally use a marker word (YES!) with my pup but you can use another word, clicker or even a retractable pen.

Have your pup start in a sitting position and you sitting directly in front of them.

Say their name so that they look at you, then start to lean your face towards their face. Since your pup loves you so much, they will tend to also lean their face towards yours.

The moment your pup makes the slightest move towards your face, mark the action immediately – YES! – and give them a treat (or toy or scratch).

Repeat this step several times, working your faces closer and closer to one another.

As you lean closer and closer while repeating the step, start to pucker your lips*, and you will eventually kiss their nose or lips. Again, keep marking and treating so they know they get a goodie whenever they lean towards you.

*If you'd prefer not to use your lips, turn your cheek towards them just before contact so they boop your cheek.

After much repetition, you can then start to use a command word such as KISS or GIMME KISS and they'll instinctively lean towards you to give a kiss!