

REVIEW OF KATE PERRY'S *TRAINING FOR BOTH ENDS OF THE LEASH*

Perry, a dog trainer, and Conza, the founder of woofpatrol.com, here explain how different training methods, which take into account an individual dog's drives and personality ("canine-ality") and the owner's lifestyle, can be combined to create a tailor-made program. Drawing from the foundational work of such trainers as Turid Rugaas and Joachim Volhard, they developed their own program to teach owners how to build a mutually happy relationship through positive reinforcement training. Their comprehensive, jargon-free guide addresses everything from bringing home a new puppy or rescue to training challenges. Canine body language, housetraining, loose-leash walking, basic commands, desensitization, and counterconditioning are all explained, as are equipment, exercise choices, health, and behavior issues. Particularly noteworthy are the chapter on early socialization experiences and the list of additional resources.

VERDICT An excellent manual for novice dog owners and those looking to improve their dog-training skills. On a par with Beth Stern's *Oh My Dog* and Victoria Stilwell's *It's Me or the Dog*.

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