

SAY PLEASE GAME

Goal of this game:

Sitting is fun; trotting after you and sitting again is a great game

Easy Beginnings:

- Dog on leash
- Hold treat at belly button
- Wait quietly for dog to sit
- Once sitting, immediately click and then give one piece of food; followed by several more for remaining seated
- Take a few steps backwards (so he has to get up and follow)
- Repeat 10 times quickly (you want 10 times in a minute eventually)

Repeat game 10 more times—move quickly backwards

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(your dog has just been rewarded at least 30 times for sitting—more than most dogs get in several days—Reinforcement builds behaviour!)

When else should puppy play the ‘say please’

- 🐾 To be petted (if dogs starts to get up, remove hands, stand up straight and look away)—if particularly wiggly, give treats while petting and then slow down treats
- 🐾 To have leash on or off (practice 5 – 10 times a day)
- 🐾 To go through door
- 🐾 To get out of car
- 🐾 To have a toy thrown
- 🐾 To get you to approach (teach with the dog tethered)
- 🐾 To greet someone

Anywhere else that is important to you!

You should not have to say ‘sit/sit/sit’ in these situations!