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Common Topics of Conversation with Animals

Someone recently asked me about common requests from different animals. I've made a list of some of the most frequent requests by horses, dogs, and cats.

Horses

- The number one request from all horses that I talk to is being out in the pasture with other horses, acting like a horse. If that is at all possible in your life, it's a great thing to offer your horse.
- Many people ask me to ask their horses how the bit feels. Often the answer I get is they hate the bit. Even the most gentle ones are bothersome. Many horses suggest verbal cues instead of physical cues. Since the verbal cues create mental images that your horse can read, it's often effective to think about the move you want them to make and use a very gentle physical suggestion to get their attention. [More on this and other requests from your horses...](#)



Cats

I get many calls about litter box issues. If your cat is going outside the litter box (in your house), the first thing to determine is whether your cat has a urinary tract infection. Going to the bathroom outside the litter box is often the only way to get our attention. Once you're sure they're healthy, it's important to be sure their litter box has a view. In nature cats use places where they can see predators approach. It is said that the ideal location of the litter box is directly across from the entrance to the room so your cat can see who is entering. Along the same lines, I regularly hear from cats how offensive scented kitty litter is. [More hints from your cats...](#)



Dogs

For the majority of dogs, the number one request is more exercise!!!! Also, no crates. Read more about crate



alternatives [here](#). One of the best things you can do for your dog is teach a good recall. If your dog will return when you call him, it allows incredible freedom for him. Your dog will get much more exercise if they're not tethered to you, moving at your pace. There are lots of positive ways to teach recall and most of them are linked with a tasty treat to really hardwire the behavior.

[More about recall and other tips...](#)

Do-It-Yourself Animal Communication

“Talk to Your Animals in a Language They Understand”. This is the most basic and simple part of animal communication, and if practiced, can resolve lots of problems before they even occur. The cost is \$12 (price includes shipping and handling) and you can pay by paypal - use the button below and don't forget to include your address.



Winter Suggestions

- Remember that over the holidays your animals can get lost in the shuffle when guests arrive. Please be sure to take them into consideration as you make room for houseguests or have a party. If your cat's favorite room is the guest room, it's important to find her another quiet location while the guests are visiting.
- Buy pet friendly de-icer so that it doesn't irritate their paws.
- Feeding the birds in the wintertime can be helpful to them. [Read more about holiday tips.](#)

Take Your Friend for a Walk

Kathleen McIntyre, who specializes in lost animals, recently moved with her family to a new area and gained some great insights. Below are her suggestions.

While taking my companion, Sam, for a walk in our new neighborhood, I realized he was busy at work. He was collecting massive amounts of information concerning this new area. After walking him a number of times around our new neighborhood I began to feel confident that he could make his way home, if needed, based on all the information he had gathered. I have worked with a number of lost animals that have spent little to no time exploring the area surrounding their home or yard. Once out of their enclosed area, they have no idea where they are. These animal companions have few tools in which to help them return home. Familiarity with the area can be essential in an animal returning home on his or her own, without an exhausting search. If your animal has never left home, now is a great time to start taking them out. On a leash, let them explore the area around your home. Allow your companion to lead you as they gather information and leave their mark. Take them out a couple more times during

the same week, moving further way from home base. I recommend taking your companion out at least once a season, as the smells and plants have changed. Once a month would be even better to refresh their memory of the surrounding area. Allowing your animal companion to explore the area around their home can give them the tools they need to get home. Taking your friend for a walk could prove to be a great gift to both of you.

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