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## **PUPPY APTITUDE TEST**

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which contains the information necessary for accurate results and the correct interpretation of the scores.

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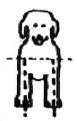
Puppy (color, sex) 1 litter	Mary + Morn	date 5-13-2020	
TEST	PURPOSE	SCORE	#
SOCIAL ATTRACTION  Place puppy in test area about four feet from the tester. Tester kneels, leans backwards and coaxes the pup to her/him by clapping hands gently.	Degree of social attraction to people, confidence, or dependence.  Pack Drive.	Came readily, tail up, jumped, bit at hands.	1
		Came readily, tail up, pawed, licked at hands. Came readily, tail up.	
		Came readily, tail down	(3)
		Came hesitantly, tail	4
		down.  Didn't come at all.	5
			6
<b>FOLLOWING</b> The tester stands up and slowly walks away encouraging the puppy to follow. Make sure the pup		Followed readily, tail up, got underfoot, bit at feet.	1
		Followed readily, tail up, got underfoot.	2
		Followed readily, tail up	3
sees you walk away. Coax puppy to follow by talking to it and attracting its attention.		Followed readily, tail down.	4
		Followed hesitantly, tail down.	5
		Did not follow or went away.	6
RESTRAINT  The tester crouches down and gently rolls the pup or its back and holds it down with light pressure with	submissive tendency, and ease of handling in difficult situations. Fight or Flight Drive.	Struggled fiercely, flailed, bit.	1
		Struggled fiercely, flailed.	2
		Settled, struggled, settled with some eye contact.	3
one hand for 30 seconds.		Struggled then settled.	4
		No struggle, no eye contact.	5
		No struggle, straining to avoid eye contact.	6
		Jumped, pawed, bit, growled.	1
SOCIAL DOMINANCE		Jumped, pawed.	2
Puppy sits or stands on crouching tester's left side and tester gently strokes it from the head to back.	social dominance by a person. Pack Drive.	Cuddled up to tester and tried to lick face.	(3
		Squirmed, licked at hands.	4
		Rolled over, licked at hands.	5
		Went away and stayed away.	6

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ELEVATION DOMINANCE  The tester cradles the pup under its chest, with both hands, fingers interlaced, palms up and gently lifts it two feet off the ground, and holds it there for 30 seconds.	Degree of accepting dominance while in position of no control. Fight or Flight Drive.	Struggled fiercely, tried to bite. Struggled fiercely. Struggled, settled, struggled, settled. No struggle, relaxed. No struggle, body stiff. No struggle, froze.	1 2 3 4 5 6
RETRIEVING  The tester crouches beside the pup and attracts its attention with a crumpled up piece of paper. When the pup shows some interest, the tester tosses the paper no more than four feet in front of the pup, encouraging it to retrieve the paper.	Degree of willingness to do something for you. Together with social attraction and following, a key indicator for ease or difficulty in training. Prey Drive.	Chased object, picked it up and ran away.  Chased object, stood over it, and did not return.  Chased object, picked it up and returned with it	2
		to tester.  Chased object and returned without it to tester.  Started to chase object, lost interest.  Did not chase object.	5
TOUCH SENSITIVITY		8-10 counts before response.	1
The tester locates the webbing of one of the puppy's front paws and presses it lightly between his index finger and thumb. The tester gradually increases pressure while counting to 10 and stops the pressure when the puppy pulls away or shows discomfort.	Degree of sensitivity to touch and a key indicator to the type of training equipment required.	6-7 counts before response.  5-6 counts before response.	2
* Do <b>not</b> use your fingernail when performing this test. Press between the finger and thumb lightly then more firmly until you get a response.		2-4 counts before response. 2-3 counts before	4
The puppy is placed in the center of the testing area and an assistant stationed at the perimeter makes a sharp noise, such as banging a metal spoon on the	Degree of sensitivity to sound. (Also a rudimentary test for deafness.) Prey Drive.	response. Listened, located sound, walked toward it barking.	1
		Listened, located sound, barked. Listened, located sound, showed curiosity and walked toward sound.	2
		Listened, located the sound. Cringed, backed off, hid.	4 5
		Ignored sound, showed no curiosity.	6

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		Looked, attacked and bit.	1
SIGHT SENSITIVITY	Degree of response to a moving object, such as	Looked, barked and tail up.	2
The puppy is placed in the center of the testing area. The tester ties a string around a bath towel and jerks it across the floor two feet away from puppy.	chasing bicycles, children or squirrels. Prey Drive.	Looked curiously, attempted to investigate.	3
		Looked, barked, tail- tuck.	4
		Ran away, hid.	5
STABILITY  An umbrella is opened about five feet from the puppy and gently placed on the ground.		Looked and ran to the umbrella, mouthing or biting it.	1
	Degree of startle response to a strange	Looked and walked to the umbrella, smelling it cautiously.	2
	object.	Looked and went to investigate.	(3)
	Fight and Flight Drive.	Sat and looked, but did not move toward the umbrella.	4
		Ran away from the umbrella.	5
		Showed no interest.	6
STRUCTURE  The puppy is gently set and held in a natural stance		The puppy is correct in structure.	good
and evaluated for structure in the following categories:	Degree of structural	The puppy has a slight	fair
Straight front	soundness.	fault or deviation.	Ian
Straight rear	Good structure is		
Shoulder lay back	necessary.		
Front angulation		The puppy has an	
Croup angulation		extreme fault or	poor
Rear angulation (see diagram below)		deviation.	
(See alagram below)			

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Straight front



Straight rear



Shoulder layback



Front angulation



Croup angulation



Rear annulation