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PUPPY APTITUDE TEST

This score sheet has been prepared for the convenience of those who have **Dog Training For Dummies** by Jack & Wendy Volhard (IDG Books, 2001),

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Puppy (color, sex) Blossom litter Sailor's

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	TEST	PURPOSE	SCORE	#
employing	OCIAL ATTRACTION		Came readily, tail up, jumped, bit at hands.	1
so			Came readily, tail up, pawed, licked at hands.	2
Pla			Came readily, tail up.	3
	ester. Tester kneels, leans backwards and coaxes		Came readily, tail down	4
he		Pack Drive.	Came hesitantly, tail down.	5
			Didn't come at all.	6
EN TABLE			Followed readily, tail up, got underfoot, bit at feet.	1
FOLLOWING The tester stands up and slowly walks away		Followed readily, tail up, got underfoot.	2	
		Willingness to follow a person. Pack Drive.	Followed readily, tail up	3
e			Followed readily, tail down.	4
to			Followed hesitantly, tail down.	5
			Did not follow or went away.	6
-200			Struggled fiercely, flailed, bit.	1
		Degree of dominance or submissive tendency, and ease of handling in difficult situations. Fight or Flight Drive.	Struggled fiercely, flailed.	2
RESTRAINT The tester crouches down and gently rolls the	e tester crouches down and gently rolls the pup or		Settled, struggled, settled with some eye contact.	3
its	back and holds it down with light pressure with		Struggled then settled.	4
one hand for 30 seconds.	mand for 30 seconds.		No struggle, no eye contact.	5
		No struggle, straining to avoid eye contact.	6	
			Jumped, pawed, bit, growled.	1
c/	OCTAL DOMINANCE		Jumped, pawed.	2
Puppy sits or stands on crouching tester's left side and tester gently strokes it from the head to back.	Degree of acceptance of social dominance by a	Cuddled up to tester and tried to lick face.	3	
	nd tester gently strokes it from the head to back. ontinue stroking until a recognizable behavior is	Pack Drive.	Squirmed, licked at hands.	4
			Rolled over, licked at hands.	5
		Went away and stayed away.	6	

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ELEVATION DOMINANCE		Struggled fiercely, tried to bite.	1
ELEVATION DOMINANCE	Degree of accepting dominance while in position of no control. Fight or Flight Drive.	Struggled fiercely.	2
hands, fingers interlaced, palms up and gently lifts it two feet off the ground, and holds it there for 30		Struggled, settled, struggled, settled.	3
		No struggle, relaxed.	4
seconds.		No struggle, body stiff.	5
		No struggle, froze.	6
		Chased object, picked it up and ran away.	1
RETRIEVING	Degree of willingness to do something for you.	Chased object, stood over it, and did not return.	2
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	Together with social attraction and following, a key indicator for ease	Chased object, picked it up and returned with it to tester.	3
paper no more than four feet in front of the pup, encouraging it to retrieve the paper.	or difficulty in training. Prey Drive.	Chased object and returned without it to tester.	4
estarted checking outerviorment		Started to chase object, lost interest.	5
		Did not chase object.	6
TOUCH SENSITIVITY		8-10 counts before response.	1
e tester locates the webbing of one of the puppy's ont paws and presses it lightly between his index ger and thumb. The tester gradually increases essure while counting to 10 and stops the pressure the puppy pulls away or shows discomfort. To not use your fingernail when performing this st. Press between the finger and thumb lightly the more firmly until you get a response.	Degree of sensitivity to touch and a key indicator to the type of training equipment required.	6-7 counts before response.	2
		5-6 counts before response.	3
		2-4 counts before response.	4
		2-3 counts before response.	5
SOUND SENSITIVITY	Degree of sensitivity to sound. (Also a rudimentary test for deafness.) Prey Drive.	Listened, located sound, walked toward it barking.	1
		Listened, located sound, barked.	2
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		Listened, located sound, showed curiosity and walked toward sound.	3
bottom of a metal pan.		Listened, located the sound.	4
		Cringed, backed off, hid.	5
		Ignored sound, showed no curiosity.	6

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SIGHT SENSITIVITY	Degree of response to a moving object, such as	bit. 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.	Looked curiously, attempted to investigate. We have	3
Curio gut	Prey Drive.	tuck.	4
		Ran away, hid. Looked and ran to the	5
		umbrella, mouthing or biting it.	1
STABILITY	Degree of startle response to a strange object.	Looked and walked to the umbrella, smelling it cautiously.	2
An umbrella is opened about five feet from the puppy and gently placed on the ground.		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 correct in structure.	good
The puppy is gently set and held in a natural stance and evaluated for structure in the following categories:			THE PROPERTY OF THE
Straight front	Degree of structural soundness.	The puppy has a slight fault or deviation.	fair
Straight rear			Carried Section
Shoulder lay back	Good structure is necessary.	And the second s	
Front angulation		The puppy has an	Condition
 Croup angulation 		extreme fault or	poor
Rear angulation		deviation.	ACCEPTED BACKLEWOOD
(see diagram below)			

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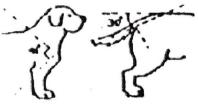
Straight front



Straight rear



Shoulder layback



Front angulation



Croup angulation



Rear angulation