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## Teaching the "Leave" Command

Feed your dog a small treat to get his interest.

Put another treat on the flat of your hand and hold it a few inches in front of your dog's nose, as he goes to take it close your hand and snatch it away quickly with the command "leave".

Immediately offer the treat again and repeat as above.

Once your dog makes no attempt to take the treat whilst it is available to him, tell him "Good boy, good leave" whilst keeping the treat in your open hand.

After about 20 seconds of your dog ignoring the treat, tell him "Take it" and feed him the treat.

Remember to only let the dog have the treat after you have given the "Take it" command.

You don't need to shout or use a firm voice; it won't make the dog understand any better.

Repeat with different treats and with toys and gradually extend the period of time you can get your dog to leave for.