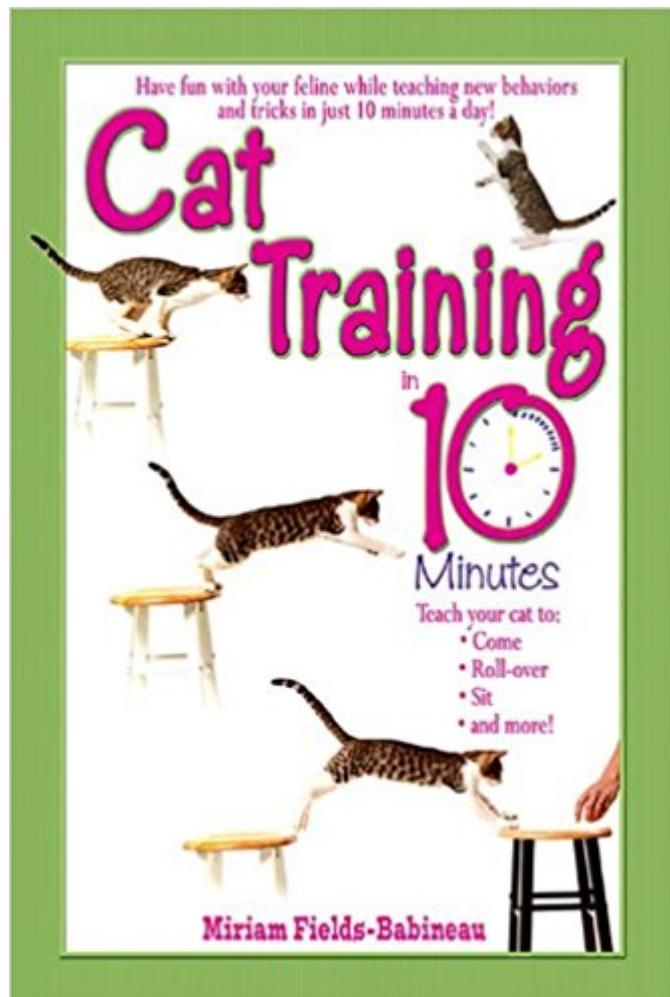


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Cat Training In 10 Minutes



Synopsis

Cats are intelligent curious animals that enjoy learning new behaviors and skills. This book will show you how to train your cat in just minutes a day. The training is based on positive reinforcement, so it really works and enhances the cat-owner bond.

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In the past 22 years, Miriam Fields-Banineau has taught thousands of animal owners how to train and communicate with their pets. Through her many books on animal training, she continues to educate pet owners on the infinite possibilities of living with a well-trained pet.

Perfect. Great book. I trained my *cat* to do about a dozen tricks (no exaggeration) with these (and a clicker). It's amazing. Everyone thinks my cat is half a dog because of how well we is trained. Come, sit, stand, shake hands, jump, walk, turn around, spin.... it's amazing!

I bought this and another book on clicker training and between the two, my cat has learned about 15 different tricks. Everyone is so amazed by her. They are always astonished that a cat can do tricks. I did teach her one that's not in the book, I pretend to shoot her and she falls to the ground to play dead, that's everyone's favorite. You can learn the basics from this book and then make up your own. My cat likes to eat so she is very food motivated and will do just about anything for a treat.

Food motivated cats are the easiest to train. Also, she loves the attention and really enjoys training. We don't do it every day anymore because she was getting too fat according to the vet, but we still do a couple of tricks a day to keep everything fresh. Even if you only have a few minutes a day, your cat will love training and the time spent with you. Give it a try but don't forget to buy a clicker too.

This was a fun book for me and my two kittens. One of my cats, a Siamese-Birman mix, *loves* being trained. The other, a chubby Tuxedo, is suspicious of training, and cooperates intermittently. Oddly, the Tuxedo *adores* food, but is dubious about being asked to jump on things, follow me around on a leash, or sit to get more food. On the other hand, the Birman will walk away from a half-full plate of food, then come running back, purring, when asked to perform tricks for single pieces of the food he just walked away from. Maybe this would make sense if I were a cat? Though one of my friends says her children are the same way when it comes to mealtime -- one is a good eater who sulks if there's any delay in the food arriving on her plate, and the other needs to be constantly entertained/tricked into eating enough to stay healthy! According to the author, cats will eventually grow so fond of the sound of the clicker that they'll perform just for the click and the verbal praise. This is not yet the case for either of my cats. :) Even the one that doesn't really like food still wants a piece of kibble for each trick. It's super-interesting to me exactly how much my Siamese-Birman adores being trained. I would never have suspected it, nor tried it, without this book. Currently, his 2 favorite tricks are jumping up on a chair when called, and taking single pieces of dry cat food from between my lips like a parrot (with parrot treats), purring merrily all the while. Super cute. :)

I was quite skeptical about the idea of training a cat to do anything. Cats are highly intelligent but not interested in pleasing us the way dogs are. In addition, my cat has cerebellar hypoplasia and is challenged in terms of general mobility. The trick shown on the cover of this book seemed far beyond his capabilities. I decided to spend a few minutes before feeding times just teaching him what the clicker was and perhaps to come when called. I was shocked to find that Nugget loves his training sessions and will follow me around the house imploring me to get out the clicker when his normal training times are getting close. Forget trying to skip a session! Nugget has become far more interactive with us and confident in his own ability to move around. While he still is unable to jump vertically, he now has learned to use his step ladder to get into chairs and on the bed. You can see the contentment in his entire body when he is able to use a previously inaccessible sleeping place or window. Also, Nugget actually is able to "jump" from chair to chair as shown on the cover of the

book. We set him up for success, but still he has exceeded our expectations and his as well. I completely recommend "Cat Training in 10 Minutes". We have had wonderful results following the simple, well-illustrated instructions. It's definitely worth training your cat, and this book will tell you how to do it.

This book has clear step by step instructions and images. It's also broken up in chapters on the types of training (how to come, sit, walking on a leash, behaving properly, fun tricks, etc.) I'm excited to see how this helps harness my furball's energy!

This book was helpful in getting me started at clicker training our cat. We have a VERY picky eater, so it's difficult/impossible to motivate her with food...I'll keep trying, but few of these techniques (if any) will work if the cat doesn't care about the reward you're offering. I understand our issue is not the norm, so I think this book would be great for the average cat! I would like to try rewarding with play, but this book doesn't get into that too deeply. Especially if using an interactive (string/teaser) toy, which is our cat's favorite. I found the suggested hand signals really helpful. And the knowledge that a hand signal+voice command+clicker+reward help your cat learn faster by making more clear and obvious to her EXACTLY what you want. It's a basic training concept, but having never trained an animal before, this was eye-opening to me! If I could change one thing about this book, I would make each chapter more self-sufficient. I feel if you skip to the "roll over" chapter, there are relevant tips and advice that you miss out on. I'd love it if each trick was laid out more step by step, bullet-style, so the instructions were complete and easy to refer back to without having to reread every word and take notes.

Tips for getting your cats up and moving, and giving them something to work towards. My two have both mastered tricks, but most usefully 'go in your crate,' 'sit,' and 'come.' The book breaks down teaching tricks into easy steps, and illustrates nicely how to help train your cat.

Well explained and totally realistic. I have trained my cats with instructions from this book (as well as others). Cats are definitely trainable, they understand. There are differences among individual cats naturally, just as there are among children in school. The "10 minutes" in the title refers to daily minutes, of course.

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