

« FETCH / GIVE »

This exercise is tailor-made for high-energy dogs.

1. Throw the rope, and give the command « FETCH! ».
2. When the dog arrives near the object, give the command « TAKE ».
3. Once he has taken the object, tell him « COME ».
4. When the dog returns by your side, give the command « GIVE », and replace the object with a reward.
5. Congratulate your dog using the SR.

Practice this exercise in a place where the dog will not be distracted, such as a hallway in your house. Do not take back the object every time, but rather, close the session by leaving him the object. If the dog hesitates to return, take a few steps back, as you would for the « COME » command. Amuse yourself practicing this trick with your dog.