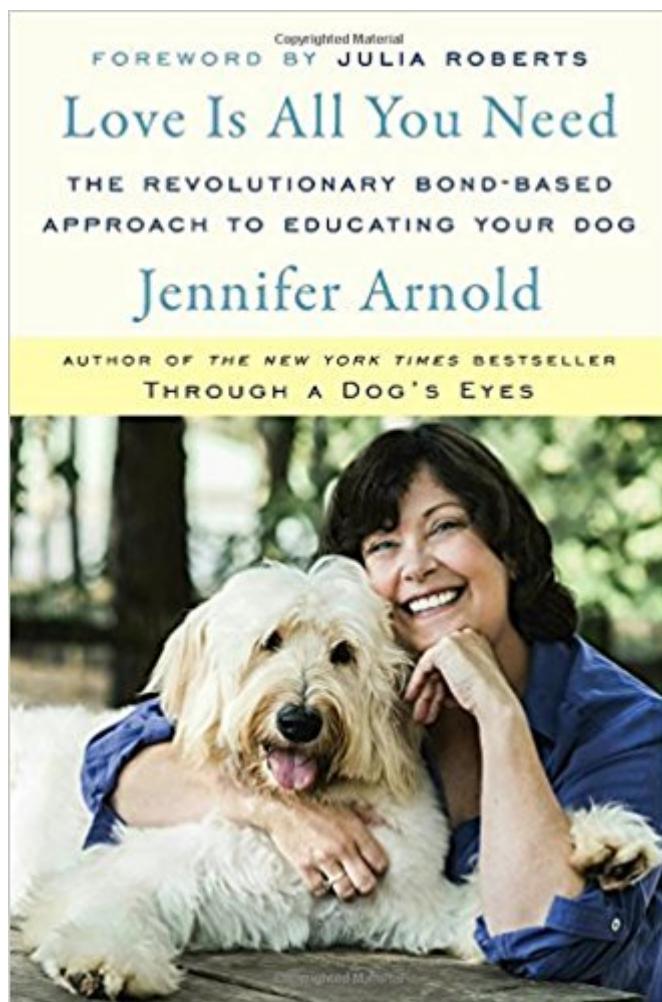


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Love Is All You Need: The Revolutionary Bond-Based Approach To Educating Your Dog



Synopsis

From the New York Times bestselling author of *Through a Dog's Eyes* • the inspiration for the PBS documentary • a paradigm-shifting approach to living with and loving our dogs

There are few people who understand dogs better than Jennifer Arnold. Twenty-five years after she founded Canine Assistants, a nationally recognized nonprofit that raises and provides service dogs for people with disabilities, Arnold had an epiphany. She'd always approached the education of dogs with kindness and compassion • eschewing the faux science of fear and domination-based training methods. And she'd always understood dogs to be uniquely, uncannily attuned to their human companions; in fact she depended on it • she knew that the bond that developed between a person and their service dog was the single greatest predictor of that partnership's success and, conversely, failure to bond brought about anxiety and distress in dogs. But it wasn't until recent scientific findings confirmed her hands-on experience with dogs' intuitive social skills that she was willing to put this bold idea to the test: Dogs who bond with us completely and unconditionally will seek to please us and, with minimal cues, can learn to make remarkably sophisticated decisions about their own behavior. Sure, dogs can be taught commands such as "sit," "stay," "heel," but even the kindest reward and punishment models were merely manipulating dogs' behavior, rather than unleashing their unique social genius and innate ability to navigate the world. In this groundbreaking, persuasive, and heartfelt book, Arnold shows us how every dog • no matter their age • can thrive through Bond-Based Choice Teaching. Her proprietary method has been hailed by leading canine behavioral scientists and is being adopted by notable dog trainers, advocates, humane societies, and puppies behind bars programs across the country. For this liberating, revolutionary method to succeed, Arnold says, love really is all you need.

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Jennifer Arnold is the founder and executive director of Canine Assistants, a service-dog school based in Milton, Georgia, and the creator of the Bond-Based Choice Teaching® approach to interspecies relationships. She is the author of the New York Times bestseller *Through a Dog's Eyes*, which was also the subject of a PBS documentary, and *In a Dog's Heart*. She lives with her husband, veterinarian Kent Bruner; son Chase; four dogs; two cats; and a number of other animals. Canine Assistants is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing service dogs for children and adults who have physical disabilities, epilepsy, or other special needs. Canine Assistants does not charge for the service it provides; rather, it relies on the generosity of those who recognize that helping one benefits us all.

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This book is amazing. I couldn't put it down. Anyone who loves dogs NEEDS to read this book. ASAP. It will give you amazing new insight into dogs, while explaining how you can have a wonderful bond with your dog. This book deserves more than 5 stars.

I have read her other books before so I knew this one would be good but it totally exceeded my expectations! More than her other books that are narratives, this book really teaches you about dog cognition. It opened my mind to how my dog thinks and therefore growing our relationship/bond! I think this book helps people be a better dog owner and realize that there is never a need for harsh punishment, pinch collars etc. it's a must read!! Your dog will thank you!!!

Jennifer Arnold has an absolutely delightful approach to educating your dog. Forget all those finger snaps and ear pinches, forget all that malarkey about dominance. Love is really all you need to achieve a deeply satisfying bond with your dog. This book is so much more than a dog training manual; it is more like a chart for a new and better understanding of how to work with your dog to

allow him to become a well adjusted, happy and well behaved dog.

This is a truly wonderful book. I think it could be organized better, this would be where an editor would come in, but that is a minor quibble. In particular if you have a dog with behavioral issues, this is an excellent book. I highly recommend it.

This is the text for the service animal agency that is supplying my replacement service dog. It is the same philosophy that I used with my previous service dog and pet dogs before that with great results.

Jennifer Arnold has an amazing insight and vision on how we can best interact, love, and be our best steward with our canine best friends! I have learned a revolutionary, exciting way to develop a special bond with my dog, giving him as many choices as he can comfortably choose. He is prospering, thriving, and living a better life from Jennifer's insights. I recommend her philosophy to everyone who chooses to have the closest bond they can obtain with their best canine friend.

This is a truly remarkable book and the best I have read on training and bonding with your dog. I enjoyed the practical applications and the research behind it. Jennifer Arnold not only tells you what to do and how to do it, she brings experience and research to explain why. Thank you!

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