

Managing the Home Alone Dog Outline

Session 1.

- I. What do owners complain about?
 - A. Barking
 - B. Destructiveness
 - C. House soiling
 - D. Escape
- II. Possible causes of home alone problems
 - A. Separation anxiety
 - B. Fears and Phobias
 - C. Aggression
 - D. Illness, pain or injury
 - E. Compulsive disorder
 - F. Hunger, thirst or physical discomfort
 - G. Sexual interest
 - H. Excitement or play
 - I. House training / scent marking
 - J. Boredom
 - K. What it's not
- III. Identifying the causes of home alone problems
 - A. Taking a history
 - B. Making observations of the behavior
 - C. Examining the results of the problem
 - D. Differential diagnosis
 - E. When it isn't a home alone problem
 - F. Referring the case to others

Session 2

- IV. Preventing, managing and resolving home alone problems
 - A. Illness, pain or injury
 - B. Compulsive disorders
 - C. Hunger, thirst, physical discomfort
 - D. Sexual interest
 - E. Housetraining / scent marking
 - F. Excitement / play
 - G. Boredom
 - H. Separation anxiety
 - I. Fears and Phobias
- V. Sample case histories and discussion