

## Dog Training Articles By Beth Bradley

### BARKING

Many dogs bark for attention, or for activity (exercise them) or they have learned that barking at their owner or any other human illicit an action, usually petting. Hey, who's training whom? Barking is irritating. The other dogs in class get excited and then humans who have to listen to it can't hear themselves think. Teaching your dog to speak is not a great idea because they don't shut up. They will bark for everything, to go outside, for a cookie, boredom or just to hear themselves bark. A puppy barking to play is cute, a 1-year-old dog barking to 'play' at every dog that enters the vet's office is annoying. But then there are some dogs that bark when you leave them (separation anxiety or loneliness or boredom) and some breeds that are just 'yippy'. How to break the habit: NEVER TEACH YOUR DOG TO BARK. If he's barking on the leash correct him and tell him 'quiet'. If he barks when you leave the house or when he is in the yard the only solution would be "Bark Collar". There are many on the market – the only one that works is the Bark Limiter by TriTronics (and we've tried them all). The correction is given based on the movement of the dog's vocal cords. When he barks the collar will correct him, similar to static electricity. The correction can be as low or as high as needed.