

Dog Training Articles  
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## **NUTRITION**

**Dog food and nutrition affect your dog's trainability, coat, attitude, etc. The wrong food can make a dog have to go to the bathroom more and can make him hyper and unmanageable. The first ingredient listed in dog food is what it mainly consists of. Supermarket foods (puppy or dog chow) have corn as the #1 ingredient. We all know how corn comes out. Corn is filler, unlike poultry, poultry-by-product meal or chicken, and is not digestible. A high protein food must have a digestible protein source or it will make your dog hyper, make clean up difficult and make his coat dull. Grocery brands also contain a lot of salt and sugars so to preserve the food and give it a longer shelf life. Premium foods like Eukanuba, Iams, Nutro or Royal Canine do not contain a lot of sugar. Hence, your dog will not have excess energy and he will be able to concentrate more during training, i.e. he will have a longer attention span. Also, the protein source is highly digestible so clean up is easier.**