

Muffin Tin Doggie IQ Game! by Sandy Adamson & Izzy

Core Behaviors Targeted: Respect, Affiliation, Respect

Items Needed: Muffin tin, plastic balls, one-minute timer

Since a dogs IQ is supposed to be equivalent to a 2 - 2 1/2 year old child, the kids we visit wanted to test this out. The idea came from the Aussiedoodle website. The video posted used a regular muffin tin and tennis balls, however I used what I had on hand - a mini muffin tin and golf practice balls.

The children were divided into two groups. One group used the game "Perfection" with a one minute timer, while the other group hide the treats under balls for Izzy to find. Izzy beat the timer every time, finding all treats hidden. The kids had a blast challenging Izzy and themselves to beat the timer. The funniest part was how she moved the balls to an empty space to retrieve the treats.

I would suggest a setup similar to attached photo. The kids have decided Izzy must have an IQ of at least a 5-6 year old. © They had a blast and we will do this activity again!

