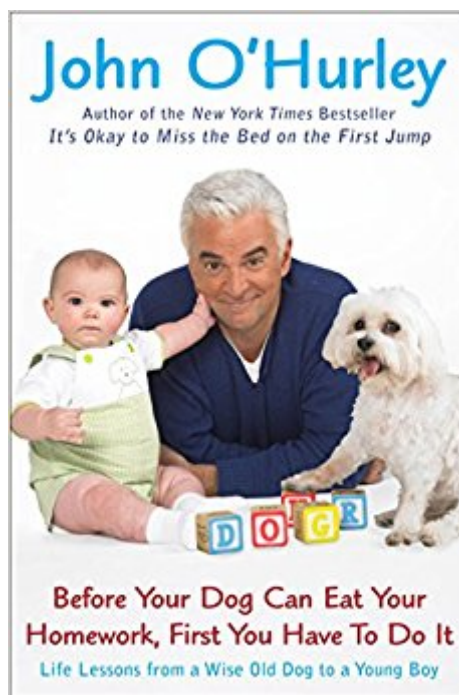




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Before Your Dog Can Eat Your Homework, First You Have To Do It: Life Lessons From A Wise Old Dog To A Young Boy



Synopsis

The popular actor and New York Times bestselling author returns with a second charming, hilarious book about the enduring wisdom of dogs. John O'Hurley has always had a dog by his side-as a boy growing up in New England, and now as a husband, father, actor, television show host, and author in Los Angeles. To him, dogs are more than our best friends. They are also some of our most valuable and enlightened teachers. *Before Your Dog Can Eat Your Homework* is written as a series of letters from O'Hurley's wise old Maltese, Scoshi, to his new baby son, William. In each letter, Scoshi shares observations on what it takes to be a man. O'Hurley then responds, including humorous remarks on what Scoshi meant to say, and offers more tales to illustrate each point. At once poignantly moving and laugh-out-loud funny, *Before Your Dog Can Eat Your Homework* will delight dog lovers of all ages.

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"A whimsical delight." —Orlando Sentinel
"Lighthearted self-help." —The Boston Globe

From the author of the national bestseller *It's Okay to Miss the Bed on the First Jump*, more woofs of wisdom—this time, straight from the dog's mouth. After years of parenting pets, John O'Hurley became a father to his first child. Along with the many new joys of being a dad, he faced a new set of challenges, and it was Scoshi, his wizened white Maltese who pointed the way—in writing. Eight weeks after William was born, John began finding curious scribbles on small scraps of paper.

Dear Little Pink Thing, the first note read, Who are you? The notes were Scoshi's life lessons for father and son "a wise old dog sharing truths he had learned over the years. During the many fishing trips they took together, Scoshi learned the importance of quality time spent with loved ones. When he was waylaid by a skunk, Scoshi learned that life's not always fair "but that there are ways to make the best of it. He also sets straight the fact that dogs only eat homework that was never done "reminding William that it is important to take responsibility for his actions. At once poignant, profound, and laugh-out-loud funny, Before Your Dog Can Eat Your Homework, First You Have to Do It is a celebration of the joys of parenting pets and children alike, and further testament to the enduring wisdom of man's best friend.

If you like John O'Hurley, you'll like this. Personally I preferred It's OK If You Miss the Bed On Your First Jump but this one contains some very wise and thought-provoking observations as well. The chapters are longer, which makes it less of a pick-up book and more of one to read for longer stretches (an issue for me). But I expect to read it several times as I have the other one.

Written in true John O'Hurley style. I only wish I had Scoshi's lessons as guides when I was younger! It makes for quick and easy reading chapter by chapter. I have reread it and have given it several times as gifts to friends. This book and O'Hurley's "It's Okay to Miss the Bed on the First Jump" are must haves.

This book will help you love dogs even more. John O'Hurley has a special way of writing and he shows how much he loves animals. It is an uplifting book and one that can be read while waiting at the doctor's office or on a train or plane since it is not a large book. It's a good book for children also. Anyone who loves dogs will enjoy this book.

This book seemed very forced to me...as if the publisher wanted it written, but the author hadn't really considered writing it. The concept of dogs teaching life lessons from his first book worked quite well. In this book, the trick doesn't work. Mr. O'Hurley's musings are purely a father's notes to his son. I was ready to love this book as much as the first, but I was destined to be disappointed.

The book is a great read whether you are on a plane or in your reading chair at home ! I love the "take a look inside" feature! Keep more coming! I bought many books because of this. It is like being in a really book store!

The visual image of Mr. O'Hurley's sweet little dog writing notes and placing them under the foot of the Big Blue Elephant is priceless. The notes themselves are clear and direct, as dogs are wont to be. They form the basis for the chapters which are filled with wisdom, laughter and tears. This is a beautiful love letter from a devoted father to his beloved son. Whether you love a dog or another person, I feel certain you'll be deeply touched by this delightful book.

Easy reading, light hearted, funny and good advice. I enjoyed the book.

Sooooooooo sweet. Wish he would write another book! Funny and sweet, heartwarming!

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