

My Pet Essay

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Hi! My name Dixie and I am a 7 month old Golden Retriever/Labrador mix. Most of the time I am a very perky pup. I have good times and bad times, equal of the same.

Things that make me very happy include chewing everything I'm not supposed to, licking my family to death, biting anything I can, going on long long long walks, jumping on my family when they arrive home or wake up or anytime really, fetching branches from outdoors and EATING!

Things that make me very sad are getting in trouble for chewing, getting in trouble for biting, being in my crate while my family is gone, being told "NO" when I jump on everyone when they arrive home, having my branches taken away when I bring them in, having to stay away from the family while they enjoy a yummy meal of much better selections than my food.

Things that make me angry are times my family is outside playing and I'm inside watching. I also get frustrated when they won't they let me eat their socks and stuffed animals. I especially don't like it when my owner blows in my face or makes me go to my crate for timeout.

Things that scare me are the very noisy vacuum, Kyle's four wheeler, Kyle's robot, the Santa Claus that recites "The Night before Christmas" over and over and over again, thunderstorms and most of allbaths!!!

Things that get me really excited are when my family comes home, when people come to our house, when I get to go on walks, when I get a treat, when I get new toys to chew on. I really like other dogs too but I may have to work on my social skills and not scare all my new friends away.

All in all I hope that my humans realize I share many of the same feelings they do. I can have good days and bad and I can behave good and not so good. One feeling that remains day in and out is that I love my family no matter how many “chew toys” they take away, or how many timeouts I receive in my crate. I am easy to please, just take care of me and I’ll be loyal until the end!

