

Abe The Serving Dog

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Types of Service Dogs

There are three basic types of assistance animals:

1. Guide animals, like **guide dogs**, who guide (lead) people who are **blind**
2. Hearing animals, like **hearing dogs**, who help the **deaf** by signaling when they hear important sounds
3. Service animals, who do work for people with disabilities who are not blind or deaf



Do you know about service dogs?

Dogs can be trained to do many different things to help owners with physical disabilities. For example, some dogs can be trained to:

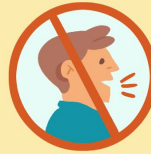
- Sense that their owner's **blood sugar** is getting low, and alert them to check their blood sugar
- Go get help from a certain person, set off an alarm, or call **911** with a special phone if their owner has an emergency
- Do things for owners in **wheelchairs**, like press buttons (see the picture at the top of the page), open a **refrigerator**, carry bags, open the door, and many other tasks
- Help people who have trouble walking keep steady and walk safely



Autism

It is a complicated condition that includes problems with communication and behavior.

Symptoms of Level 3 Autism



Inability to use spoken language



Extreme sensitivity—crowds, bright lights, loud noises are overwhelming



Lower IQ



Many repetitive behaviors, like violent rocking and door slamming



Physical symptoms like sleeplessness and epilepsy

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A close-up photograph of a dog, likely a Border Collie, with white and grey speckled fur. The dog is looking towards the right. In the background, a person wearing a white glove is holding a stethoscope, suggesting a veterinary examination. The background is blurred, showing some medical equipment.

I liked the way Abe, was nice and helpful to his companion. I found it interesting that a dog could be educated to take care of a person. I especially liked the idea of a school for dogs.

This book is written from the point of view of Abe, a service dog who was trained to be a companion for a person who is blind.

The plot outlines Abe's life from the time he was told he would be a service dog to the day he prepares to retire from that service.

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