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(Part Two)

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The first and most important step is to select the perfect kitten. A good place to go is the Humane Society. You should select a kitten that seems to be intelligent but not hyperactive. You can determine these factors by watching the kitten interact with the other cats in the cage. Now that the selection process is finished, you must begin molding the cat of your dreams. The first prerequisite is having a lot of time to spend with it when you first bring it home. This is important because, like most things, it is easier to bond with the cat when it is young and inexperienced. Once you have selected a cat and cleared your schedule, it is time to bring her home. If you want a cat that loves to be held and cuddle with you, you have to hold it all the time. Have the cat sleep with you the first few nights and pay constant attention to her throughout the day. This worked wonders with Monique. Her feet practically never touched the ground for the first three weeks of her life with me, and as a result, she loves to be carried and is relatively lazy. If you want your cat to do tricks, it is important to start this training early. It is very rare for a cat to do tricks, because most people have no patience for the vigorous training and massive amounts of tuna fish it requires. However, it is possible, and a good trick to start with is shaking hands. Gently take your cat's right paw in your right hand and say, "shake hands" and then give her fish. After you repeat this every day a number of times, your cat will respond to the "Shake hands" command.

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