

"Javier"  
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CAST

Javier - 30s, Dog Extraordinaire, Spanish-ish  
Peter - 50s, dad  
Debbie - 50s, mom  
Jacob - 18, son  
Gretchen - 16, daughter

(a living room)

PETER

Girls, come in here please. Your mom and I need to talk to you about Ned Ryerson.

(off stage)

JACOB and GRETCHEN

Coming daddy!

DEBBIE

I hope this works...

PETER

It will Deb...It has too...

(Enter JACOB and DEBBIE)

JACOB

(sighs)

Ok. We're here. And listen, before you two say anything, we want you to know we really like Ned Ryerson. He's a great pup!

PETER

Now don't get ahead of yourself Jacob. We're not getting rid of our dog. But we cannot afford to purchase new furniture every other week. Something has to be done.

GRETCHEN

Whew! I thought for sure Ned was a goner.

DEBBIE

We've decided to bring in a puppy specialist.

PETER

Now please understand girls, we can't afford a professional puppy specialist...

DEBBIE

So your Dad and I found one on Criaglist. He should be here any-

(cue doorbell DING DONG)

(door swings open)

(Enter JAVIER)

JAVIER

Holla muchachos! I am Javier Dog Extraordinaire. I have come to train your dog.

JACOB

Are you serious?

GRETCHEN

Yea Dad, where did you say you found this guy at?

JAVIER

But before I train your dog. I need todos cooperation aqui. Si?

PETER

Of course Javier. We will do anything for our little Ned.

JAVIER

Perfecto. Now please repeat the Official Javier Dog Extraordinaire Pledge after me.  
Yo, state your name...

PETER / DEBBIE / JACOB / GRETCHEN

(all say their individual names)

Yo, PETER / DEBBIE / JACOB / GRETCHEN

JAVIER

Do absolutamente love our dog.

PETER / DEBBIE / JACOB / GRETCHEN

Do absolutamenta love our dog.

JAVIER

(said hastily)

And promise to repeat, practice, lick, and hump anything Javier Dog Extraordinaire repeats, practices, licks, and humps, without pursuit of legal action or the hiring of an attorney.

PETER / DEBBIE / JACOB / GRETCHEN  
(all mumble as much as they can remember  
Looking at each other weirdly)

.....or hiring an attorney..

JAVIER  
Perfecto! Now, the primero item of business in training a dog is training the owners. Did you know the dog, or canis lupus familiaris, ascertains their attitudes and behaviors from their owners?

DEBBIE  
That would explain why it NEVER LISTENS PETER!!

PETER  
Oh Debbie! Hahaha.

JAVIER  
Es la verdad. Actually, Senor and Senorita, may you two please stand up? Now we are all going to learn the first step in basic puppy training.

PETER  
Sure.

DEBBIE  
This is so exciting!

JAVIER  
OK. Senor, can you please get on all fours, and start sniffing this lady's butt?

PETER  
What!?!? You've got to be kidding me!

JAVIER  
No Senor I am not.

DEBBIE  
Peter, if it will help the dog..

JACOB  
Yeah dad, we took the oath, remember?

PETER

Fine. Ugh. Debbie, can you please get a little closer.

JAVIER

Si Si. The closer the better.

PETER

This is the strangest thing I have ever done.

JAVIER

Si but it will help your little dog!

PETER

(Peter starts sniffing his wife's butt)

OK OK that's enough. I can't do it anymore.

JAVIER

EXCELLENTE! Great job Senor Peter. You are well on your way to having a more competent dog!

DEBBIE

That wasn't so bad was it?

PETER

Are you serious? It was degrading

JAVIER

Ah come on muchacho. This is only the first step! Now I want everyone to get on all quattros and start sniffing each others butts!

PETER

What kind of lunatic training is this?

JACOB

DAD! You took the oath, remember?

GRETCHEN

Yeah! We've got to do it!

PETER

This is absurd.

(Family gets on all fours and start's sniffing each others butts. Javier joins them.)

JAVIER

This is MUY BONITA!! Great job gang! Ok Everyone up! You all pass the first step!

JACOB and GRETCHEN

YAY!

PETER

I still don't see how this helps.

JAVIER

Senor Peter. I don't waltz into the bank and tell you how to do your job, do I?

PETER

I don't work at a bank.

JAVIER

I don't waltz into the office and tell you how to doctor.

PETER

I'm not a doctor.

JAVIER

Then por favor do not tell me how to whisper to dogs.

PETER

But Ned Ryerson isn't even in here...

GRETCHEN

DAD! The oath!

DEBBIE

Yeah Peter! We've already paid Javier for the hour, you're wasting our time!

PETER

(sigs)

JAVIER

May I continue?

PETER

.....si...

JAVIER

WOOO! That's the spirit muchacho! Now for the final step I need a volunteer. Uh Yes, you in the super tight muscle shirt. Come on up here!

JACOB

I didn't volunteer.

PETER

JACOB, we took the oath remember.

JAVIER

Si, you took the oath.

JACOB

OK. I'm a little nervous, that's all.

JAVIER

No need to be nervous. This final one is muy muy easy. Muchacho, if you could, please stick out your left leg?

JACOB

(sticks out left leg)

Like this?

JAVIER

(Javier starts humping JACOB's leg)

SI!

(continues to hump)

Now as the sniffing is a way dogs say hello, humping is a way dog's show.....dominance...oh yeah...that's good...humping just like this...

JACOB

Dad...I'm feeling uncomfortable...

PETER

JACOB, what did we say!?!?!?

JAVIER

...ok...now I want everyone...to hump everyone...like I am here...

PETER

You heard him team, let's start humping!

(Blackout.)