

Task 3 High-Scoring Sample Response

The reading passage explains operant conditioning, which is a way of learning through rewards or punishments. If a behaviour is followed by something positive, it is more likely to happen again. But if it leads to a negative or no result, the behaviour usually stops.

The professor supports this idea by describing a dog training class.

In the lecture, he says that when dogs sat on command, the trainer gave them a treat. This reward made the dogs more likely to sit when asked. When they didn't sit, they didn't get anything, so they eventually changed their behaviour.

This example supports the concept by showing that the dogs learned to follow the command because of the reward they expected afterward.

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