

## IF HUMANS HAVE RIGHTS THAN ANIMALS SHOULD ALSO HAVE RIGHTS.

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Have you ever heard an animal cry in misery?

Over 115 million animals are killed for chemical, drug, food, and cosmetic testing every year. All this is done only for our own benefits, but what about the poor animals who suffer for us? Animal rights need to begin.

Firstly, if you believe that animals have rights, then killing them for food is just wicked. An animal that is being raised for food is being utilized by others but not appreciated for itself. We don't need to eat a lump of animal meat to survive. Even though humans have eaten meat for a very long time, some people claim that a diet consisting of animal products is actually unhealthy, because eating fatty meats can lead to health problems. The animals that we slay for food are very intelligent and sensitive creatures, and our actions cause extensive emotional pain and hardship to them.

Secondly, I would like all of you to take notice of the products, and clothes that you use and wear. I am sure that some of you have used deodorant or soap earlier today? Or maybe applied makeup and perfume. Each year truck-loads of animals are poisoned and killed in tests that are developed very cruelly. All these animals are forced to ingest or inhale huge quantities of toxic substances. Over 30 million animals are killed for their skin, yearly. Many of these animals are treated horribly and all this is done to supply the needs for the fashion industry. I expect that some of you will agree with me, that this is definitely unfair. Did you know that millions of wild kangaroos are killed each year in Australia for skin to make soccer cleats.

Lastly, the animals that are performing in the circus, live a very wretched life and have brutal training. They are beaten, shocked, and whipped in their practice, so they can perform some illogical trick for us, which is out of their comfort zone. They are taken away from their natural habitat and are pressurized to live a miserable life. I believe that this is extremely mean and cunning, and they have the rights to explore freely. I know that none of us would like to live this type of dreadful and horrible life, then imagine what the poor animals would be feeling.

In conclusion, mistreating animals is extremely incorrect because it can cause the animals to die, or have painful life problems and traumatizing memories, which disturbs their life. Animals are a living creature and they have feelings, just like all of us. One thing I would like all of you to take from my speech today is to respect animals for who they are and encourage others to do the same because animals have the right to be treated with dignity.

As Gary L. Francione said, "Peace begins with what you eat, wear, and use."

~ Charmy Goswami 2020