

S2 Animal Rights Unit

Remote learning week beginning 15/02/21

Is it ever right to experiment on animals?

Today we will focus on whether or not we have the right to carry out experiments on animals.

Learning Intention

To explore the ethics of carrying out tests on animals.

Success criteria

I can:

- Define the term ethics.
- Discuss the ways in which animals are used and make a judgement.
- Listen to two different viewpoints and organise their arguments.

Starter

Have a look at this image below.

What do you think they are trying to highlight to the viewer?



Activity 1: the ethics of animal testing.

 Animal experiments are widely used to develop new medicines and to test the safety of other products.

 The ethics of animal testing is deciding whether this is right or wrong.

Many people try to make these experiments as humane as possible.

- Humane is to show someone or something kindness.

How are animals used?

Below is a list of different reasons for animal testing.

1. Household products
2. Medication
3. Industrial chemicals
4. Pesticides
5. Paint
6. Beauty products
7. Food additives

a) Write down or put a tick next to the reasons that you agree with.

b) Why do you think its ok to use animals for that?

c) Put a cross next to the reasons that you don't agree with.

d) Why do you not think its ok to use animals for that?

Activity 2: Arguments for and against

You are now going to explore two different perspectives on animal testing.

- a) Click on the link and watch the clip. [\(81\) Is it ever right to experiment on animals? | Religious Studies - Matters of Life and Death - YouTube](#)
- b) Fill out the table below.

FOR	AGAINST

Who do you agree with most?

Give one reason why.
