

## Unit 5- Animal Rights

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### *Fundamental questions*

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| 1. "What are animal rights about?"   |
| 2. "Are rights limited to humans only?"  |
| 3. "Do animals have the same rights as humans?"  |
| 4. "What are the consequences of accepting animal rights?"                             |
| 5. "Should animals be treated differently because they belong to a different species?" |
| 6. "Do animals suffer as people do?"   |
| 7. "Should people use animals for their own good?"                                     |

### *Extracts from different web pages-Points worth considering*

- 'Animal rights' is the idea in which some, or all, non-human animals are entitled to the possession of their own existence and that their most basic interests—such as the need to avoid suffering—should be afforded the same consideration as similar interests of human beings. ....Animals should no longer be viewed as property or used as food, clothing, research subjects, entertainment, or beasts of burden.  
Retrieved from: [Wikipedia contributors. \(2019, May 18\). Animal rights. In Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia. Retrieved 07:36, May 19, 2019, from https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Animal\\_rights&oldid=897612395](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Animal_rights&oldid=897612395)
- "Supporters of animal rights believe that animals have an inherent worth – a value completely separate from their usefulness to humans. We believe that every creature with a will to live has a right to live free from pain and suffering. 'Animal rights' is not just a philosophy—it is a social movement that challenges society's traditional view that all nonhuman animals exist solely for human use".  
Retrieved from: <https://www.peta.org/about-peta/why-peta/why-animal-rights/>
- "There is much disagreement as to whether non-human animals have rights and what is meant by animal rights".  
There is *much less disagreement* about the consequences of accepting that animals have rights.  
Retrieved from: [http://www.bbc.co.uk/ethics/animals/rights/rights\\_1.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/ethics/animals/rights/rights_1.shtml)
- «New medicines require testing because researchers must measure both the beneficial and the harmful effects of a compound on a whole organism. A medicine is initially tested *in vitro* using tissues and isolated organs, but legally and ethically it must also be tested in a suitable animal model before clinical trials in humans can take place». <http://www.animalresearch.info/en/designing-research/why-animals-are-used/>

## *Different ways people use animals*



## Glossary

| Lexical item              | Synonym word/phrase, definition                          | Greek Translation                        |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| property                  | possession   | Περιουσία, ιδιοκτησία                    |
| unethical                 | Immoral, unprincipled                                    | Ανήθικος, αντιδεοντολογικός              |
| experiment                | Trial, test  | πείραμα                                  |
| meaningless               | Pointless, futile  | Ανούσιος, μάταιος                        |
| stroke                    |  | Εγκεφαλικό επεισόδιο                     |
| Waste a life              | Ruin a life, throw it away                               | Χαραμίζω μια ζωή                         |
| underestimate             | undervalue   | υποτιμώ                                  |
| to pinpoint               | Locate, identify   | Εντοπίζω, προσδιορίζω                    |
| Under scrutiny            | Under inspection   | Υπό στενή παρακολούθηση, υπό επιτήρηση   |
| Agency                    | organization   | Οργανισμός                               |
| Unnecessary unnecessarily | Needless, pointless, redundant                           | Περιττός, αχρείαστος, μάταιος            |
| Under investigation       | Subject to inquiry                                       | Υπό έρευνα                               |
| to culminate              | To peak, to conclude, to terminate                       | Κορυφώνομαι, περατώνομαι                 |
| to fund                   | To finance   | Χρηματοδοτώ                              |
| guideline                 | Guiding principle, direction                             | Κατευθυντήρια γραμμή, οδηγία             |
| insight                   | Perception, understanding                                | διορατικότητα, αντίληψη                  |
| sufficiently              | adequately   | επαρκώς                                  |
| neuroscientist            | a scientist who studies the nervous system and the brain | Νευροεπιστήμονας                         |
| to breed<br>breed (N)     | Reproduce, mate  | Αναπαράγομαι, εκτρέφω<br>Ράτσα, είδος    |
| unmodified                | Unchanged, untouched                                     | Απαράλλακτος, χωρίς να έχει τροποποιηθεί |
| research policy           | research strategy  | Πολιτική στον τομέα της έρευνας          |
| questionable              | Dubious, doubtful  | Αμφισβητήσιμος, αμφίβολος                |
| untrustworthy             | Unreliable, undependable                                 | Αναξιόπιστος                             |
| primary purpose           | Main goal  | Κύριος στόχος                            |
| to ban                    | Forbid, prohibit   | Απαγορεύω δια νόμου                      |
| robust                    | healthy and strong, vigorous                             | Δυνατός, στιβαρός                        |
| refinement                | purification   | Διύλιση                                  |
| efficiency                | effectiveness  | Αποτελεσματικότητα,                      |

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|                            |   | αποδοτικότητα                 |
| to trump                   | Overbear, overshadow  | Κερδίζω, επισκιάζω            |
| welfare                    | wellbeing   | Καλές συνθήκες διαβίωσης      |
| to raise public awareness  | Communicate important information to the general public, spread knowledge of an important issue | Ευαισθητοποιώ την κοινή γνώμη |
| at the expense             | To the detriment of, to the disadvantage of   | Εις βάρος                     |
| plight                     | Troubles, severe challenges   | Τα δεινά                      |
| hyperproduction            | Excessive production  | υπερπαραγωγή                  |
| *genetic manipulation      |   | Γενετική τροποποίηση          |
| to bring on                | give rise to  |                               |
| Abundant<br>abundance      | Plentiful<br>plenty   | Άφθονος<br>αφθονία            |
| Biotech business           |   | Βιοτεχνολογική επιχείρηση     |
| netter                     |   | Αλιευτικά σκάφη με δίκτυα     |
| grassland                  | plain   | Βοσκοτόπι                     |
| specimen                   | sample  | Δείγμα                        |
| reassemble                 | reconstruct   | Ανασυνθέτω,<br>ανακατασκευάζω |
| genome                     | All genetic material of an organism   | Γονιδίωμα                     |
|                            |   |                               |
| evolution                  | Progress, growth  | Εξέλιξη                       |
| gene                       | Genetic material  | Γονίδιο                       |
| variation                  | Mutation, deviation   | Παραλλαγή, διακύμανση         |
| reach an agreement         | work out a deal, strike a happy medium  | Καταλήγω σε συμφωνία          |
| *endangered species        | Likely to become extinct  | Απειλούμενο είδος             |
| *species under extinction  | The dying out or extermination of a species   | Είδος υπό εξαφάνιση           |
| to sponsor                 | subsidize   | Χρηματοδοτώ, επιχορηγώ        |
| concrete                   | Solid, real   | Σαφής, ξεκάθαρος              |
| specific                   | Exact, precise  | Ακριβής, συγκεκριμένος        |
| to justify                 | Give good reason for, give explanation for  | Αιτιολογώ, δικαιολογώ         |
| to clarify                 | Make clear, elucidate   | Διευκρινίζω                   |
|                            | <b>*USEFUL<br/>TERMS/EXPRESSIONS</b>  |                               |
| *Animal agriculture/animal | husbandry   | Κτηνοτροφία/ εκτροφή ζώων     |

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| farming   |  |   |
| *Animal welfare                                     |  | Καλές συνθήκες διαβίωσης των ζώων<br>*Animal rights Δικαιώματα των ζώων |
| *Animal cruelty                                     |  | Βάναυση μεταχείριση των ζώων<br>Παράγω προϊόντα χωρίς πειράματα σε ζώα  |
| *Go cruelty-free                                    |  |   |
| *Hoarder  |  | Μανιακός συλλέκτης (υποδηλώνει ψυχική διαταραχή, ψυχαναγκασμό)          |
| *Meet minimum animal welfare standards              |  | Πληρώ τις ελάχιστες προδιαγραφές καλής μεταχείρισης των ζώων            |
| *Vegan/veganism/go vegan                            | Veganism is the practice of abstaining from the use of animal products, particularly in diet, and an associated philosophy that rejects the commodity status of animals. An individual who follows the diet or philosophy is known as a vegan. «Wikipedia» | Χορτοφάγος, χορτοφαγία, γίνομαι χορτοφάγος                              |
| *Profit from exploiting animals                     |  | Κερδίζω από την εκμετάλλευση των ζώων                                   |
| *Habitat conservation                               |  | Διατήρηση του φυσικού περιβάλλοντος όπου ζει κι αναπαράγεται ένα ζώο    |
| *Apply biological research to real medical problems |  | Εφαρμόζω βιολογική έρευνα σε πραγματικά ιατρικά προβλήματα              |
| *Global shift in diets                              |  | Παγκόσμια αλλαγή του τρόπου διατροφής                                   |

## *Resources*

Office Microsoft Word/Synonym

<https://el.glosbe.com>

[www.wordreferece.com](http://www.wordreferece.com)

<https://www.thesaurus.com>

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org>

<https://www.merriam-webster.com>

### *Useful links for further exploration*

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| <b>Human Uses Of Animals</b> <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Human_uses_of_animals">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Human_uses_of_animals</a>  |
| <b>The most interesting ways humans use animals</b><br><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gwQ3uMLj6k8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gwQ3uMLj6k8</a>  |
| <b>Animals in Research</b> <a href="http://www.animalresearch.info/en/designing-research/why-animals-are-used/">http://www.animalresearch.info/en/designing-research/why-animals-are-used/</a>  |
| <b>11 ingenious ways animals have majorly helped humans throughout history</b><br><a href="https://www.ranker.com/list/ways-humans-trick-animals/mariel-loveland">https://www.ranker.com/list/ways-humans-trick-animals/mariel-loveland</a>   |
| <b>5 handy airport animal helpers</b> <a href="https://www.treehugger.com/handy-airport-animal-helpers-4861234">https://www.treehugger.com/handy-airport-animal-helpers-4861234</a>   |
| <b>The Power of Pets: Animals can help Autistic Children Socialize</b><br><a href="https://www.healthline.com/health-news/mental-animals-help-autistic-children-socialize-022713">https://www.healthline.com/health-news/mental-animals-help-autistic-children-socialize-022713</a>                               |
| <b>Therapy and Service Animals for people with Special Needs</b><br><a href="https://www.verywellfamily.com/service-animals-for-children-with-special-needs-4140722#types-of-service-animals">https://www.verywellfamily.com/service-animals-for-children-with-special-needs-4140722#types-of-service-animals</a> |
| <b>Human Use of Animals</b> <a href="https://www.open.edu/openlearn/history-the-arts/culture/philosophy/human-use-animals">https://www.open.edu/openlearn/history-the-arts/culture/philosophy/human-use-animals</a>   |
| <b>The Benefits of Pets for Human Health</b> <a href="https://www.center4research.org/benefits-pets-human-health/">https://www.center4research.org/benefits-pets-human-health/</a>  |
| <b>7 ways animals are like humans</b> <a href="https://www.livescience.com/24807-ways-animals-humans-alike.html">https://www.livescience.com/24807-ways-animals-humans-alike.html</a>   |
| <b>World Animal Protection</b> <a href="https://www.worldanimalprotection.org/">https://www.worldanimalprotection.org/</a>  |
| <b>What is the climate impact of eating meat and dairy?</b><br><a href="https://interactive.carbonbrief.org/what-is-the-climate-impact-of-eating-meat-and-dairy/">https://interactive.carbonbrief.org/what-is-the-climate-impact-of-eating-meat-and-dairy/</a>  |
| <b>PETAUK-Investigations</b> <a href="https://www.peta.org.uk/investigations/">https://www.peta.org.uk/investigations/</a><br><a href="https://www.peta.org.uk/issues/animals-not-use-entertainment/">https://www.peta.org.uk/issues/animals-not-use-entertainment/</a>   |
| <b>Top 10 most endangered animals</b> <a href="https://onekindplanet.org/top-10/top-10-worlds-most-endangered-animals/">https://onekindplanet.org/top-10/top-10-worlds-most-endangered-animals/</a>   |
| <b>Military Animals</b> <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Military_animal">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Military_animal</a>   |
| <b>Working Animals</b> <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Working_animal">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Working_animal</a>  |