

CHAPTER 2: ANIMAL RIGHTS MOVEMENT

I. Introductory Overview Essay 5K Words

II. Theory of Animal Rights as Reform

Theoretical Range of Arguments: Pro and Con 2-5K Words

- Speciesism
- Inherent Value Theory
- Utilitarianism
- Equal Consideration of Interests Approach
- Legal/Rights-Based Approach
- Abolitionist View
- Moral Vegetarianism/Veganism
- Eco-Anarchism

III. Historical Development of Animal Rights Reform Movement

Organizations 1-2K Words

- American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) (1867)
- Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) 1954
- People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA)
- Animal Liberation Front (ALF)
- The Fund for Animals (2005)
- Doris Day Animal League (2006)

Tactics 1-2K Words

- Resistance to use of animals in human product testing
- Resistance to use of Fur/feathers/Leather in human apparel industry
- Trophy hunting reform, Outlaw of horse slaughter, animal fighting, and boycotting killing of seal pups in Canada
- Decreased use of animal products in restaurant industry (Burger King and Wolfgang Puck) and cage-free” egg-purchasing policies by universities and corporations

Legal Protections 1-2K Words

- Legal Actions Humane Methods of Slaughter Act (1958)
- Laboratory Animal Welfare Act (1966)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture agrees to enforce laws regarding transportation of farm animals
- Animal Bill of Rights movement
- Passage of the federal PETS Act in October 2006 after Hurricane Katrina requires local, state, and federal agencies

to include animals in their disaster plans

IV. Key Moments

500-1K Words Each

Endangered Species Act (1973)

Silver Spring Monkeys (1982-90)

Operation Backfire (2006)

V. Intersection with Other Reform Movements

VI. Future of Reform Movement

2-5K Words

Future Trends

- Extending personhood to animals to protect them legally as humans are protected

VII. Author Suggested Illustrations, Tables, and Documents