

“Animal testing should be abolished.”

YES	NO
1. Animal Suffering ○ Millions of animals experience pain, stress, and death during experiments. ○ It is cruel to harm animals for human benefit when alternatives exist. 2. Unreliable Results ○ Animals and humans are not identical, so results on animals may not apply to humans. ○ Drugs that are safe for animals sometimes fail in humans, wasting time and resources. ○ Most experiments involving animals are flawed, wasting the lives of the animals involved. ○ Medical breakthroughs involving animal research may still have been made. 3. Ethical Considerations ○ Animals have a right to live without being used as test subjects. ○ People argue that it is morally wrong to treat animals as "tools" for experiments. 4. Availability of Alternatives ○ Modern methods like computer simulations, 3D printing of tissues, and human cell cultures are becoming more accurate and reliable. Companies and researchers already use these methods successfully	1. Medical Advancements ○ Animal testing has contributed to life-saving treatments and vaccines (e.g., for polio, cancer, and diabetes). ○ Without testing, it would be hard to ensure the safety of new medicines for humans. ○ Animals themselves benefit from the results of animal testing 2. Similarity to Humans ○ Animals like mice and monkeys have similar biological systems to humans, making them useful models for research. ○ Testing on animals helps predict how drugs might work in people. 3. Legal and Ethical Responsibility ○ Laws regulate animal testing to minimize suffering, scientists follow the "3Rs" (Replacement, Reduction, Refinement) principle. The goal of the 3R Principle is to avoid animal experiments altogether (Replacement), to limit the number of animals (Reduction) and their suffering (Refinement) in tests to an absolute minimum. The 3R Principle now provides a road map for laboratory animal protection policies of many countries. 4. Lack of Alternatives ○ Technology like computer models and cell cultures cannot fully replace live organisms. Some complex diseases, like Alzheimer's, require whole-body systems for study

Class debate

Topic being discussed (proposition): “Animal testing should be abolished”

Our group’s point of view is:

1)In pairs

Main points for	Main points against
1)	1)
2)	2)

2)In groups of 4 come up with the TWO strongest arguments you have. Consider the arguments the other side are going to come up with and prepare to argue against them.

3)As a HALF class.

Our TWO strongest arguments are:

1.

2.

Counter arguments for the opposition's possible points:

Our two speakers to start of the debate are:

1.

2.

Debate notes/Questions I'd like to raise

USEFUL PHRASES:

My own personal opinion is that I agree/disagree with the statement. My main reasons are.....

Hello, I'm.....and I am the first speaker of the proposition side of the debate. We are here to claim that animal testing should be abolished completely due to the inhumaneness of these acts.

Hello, I am..... I am the first speaker of the opposition. Imagine your parents have a life-threatening disease like ebola. Their lives are at stake and there is a vaccine available. However, because some people have different morals the vaccine along with animal testing has been completely outlawed. No further research can be done without giving the people the virus and testing it. Now, think whose life is more important. The humans' or the animals? Animals have not been harmed by animal testing. It benefits animals as well as humans. And finally, it has created many life-saving medicines and vaccines. Animal testing has been invaluable to humanity for hundreds of years. Things like polio and ebola vaccines have been created through animal testing.

Now to refute their (proposition) points. Her assertion was that animals can feel pain and grief. However, she only mentioned one instance in which that occurs.

Hello, I'm..... I am the 2d speaker of the proposition.

I would like to refute my opponents points by using 2 sources. "What is the purpose of animal testing?" nabr and.....

This is why I ask you judges to disagree with the proposition and keep animal testing in full force.

Imagine a world where the issues of animal testing are eliminated because of alternative methods. Well, this can be our world today because there are such alternatives.

Hello. I'm.....As the 3d speaker of the proposition, I will repeat the opposition's previous arguments and then move on to summarize my team's previous points and state my own.

Now, I will summarise my team's points.

We have shown how cruel, inaccurate and superfluous animal testing is. The basic rights of animals have been thrown away. Overall, human integrity is at stake here.

Thank you. Please, vote for the proposition.

Hello, I am.....I am for the opposition side.

Do you know how we got rid of rabies? If it hadn't been for animal testing, we would have diseased animals everywhere.

I am here to strengthen our points as well as refute the proposition's points.

Firstly, you said that animal testing is not needed for modern medicines. The corona virus is a big subject now. We need a vaccine and we need it now. Who are we to test it on? If we test it on humans they might end up dead. So, it's better if we test it on animals. We basically evolved with animals. If we hadn't had animals, we wouldn't have the medicine we have today.

Animals have also been vaccinated....This shows that testing has benefits for every species not just animals.