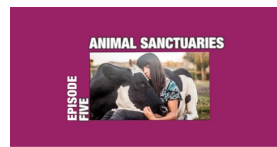


ANIMAL LAW & YOUTH ACTIVISM EDUCATORS' GUIDE



EPISODE 5 – ANIMAL SANCTUARIES

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LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students will be able to:

- Distinguish a sanctuary from other animal operations such as zoos and theme parks.
- Identify different types of animal sanctuaries such as those for companion animals, farmed animals, and wildlife (including cetaceans).
- Understand some of the challenges and rewards of running an animal sanctuary.

PRE-VIDEO QUESTIONS

1. What does the word 'sanctuary' mean?
2. What do you think an animal sanctuary is? How might it differ from a zoo? An animal theme park like SeaWorld or Marineland?
3. Have you ever been to an animal sanctuary? If so, what was it like?

POST-VIDEO REVIEW

Farmed Animal Sanctuaries

1. Farm Sanctuary is based on three pillars: rescue, education, and advocacy. Briefly describe each. Why do you think Farm Sanctuary engages in education and advocacy in addition to rescue?
2. What are some of the challenges of running a farmed animal sanctuary? What are some of the benefits?
3. Farmed animal sanctuaries give their animals names, whereas factory farms don't. Why do you think this is?

Wild Animal Sanctuaries

1. What particular challenges are there in setting up a wild animal sanctuary compared to a farmed animal sanctuary?
2. Why do you think the United States banned testing on chimpanzees in 2015? Why do you think it was the last country to do so?
3. Why is it not possible to release chimpanzees from laboratories into the wild?
4. What do you think are the effects of keeping cetaceans such as whales and dolphins in captivity? How might their experience be different in a sanctuary, such as The Whale Sanctuary Project under construction in Nova Scotia?

[Animal Sanctuaries Kahoot](#) (8 questions)

Extension/Research Questions

1. Examine [the table](#) comparing the following animal operations: sanctuary, shelter and wildlife rehabilitation centre, accredited zoo or aquarium, theme park and roadside zoo. Using the information in the table, find an example of each animal operation retively close to your home. If none are close to your home, find examples in your state/province/territory or country.
2. Watch [Transfarmation: What Happens When Farmers Have A Change Of Heart?](#) (We Animals Media - 15 min). Describe how a traditional farm might convert to a farm sanctuary. What practices would change?
3. Research Rose's Law: An Animal Bill of Rights. Who is Rose? What are the five main tenets of Rose's Law? What are the three main approaches being used to try to make the bill pass? What specific actions have activists been using to advance Rose's Law since 2018 when she was rescued?

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4. Research the Umah Lumba Rehabilitation, Release and Retirement Center for dolphins in Indonesia. Briefly describe its history and current set-up. Then take a deeper look into The Whale Sanctuary Project in Nova Scotia and summarise its progress and next steps.
5. What similarities and differences do you notice between the two sanctuary designs?
6. Increasingly, scientific studies affirm that non-human animals with whom we share our planet experience consciousness, feelings, emotions, perceptions, and the potential to experience pain, suffering, and states of well-being. Choose an individual or species of animal, and a location where they are kept in confinement and/or used for human purposes. What might that animal be experiencing in that situation? How would you experience that situation if you were in their place? What kind of sanctuary might they be freed to, and how would their experience change? Would they be a candidate for returning to the wild, fully free from human care?

RESOURCES FOR FURTHER EXPLORATION

Field Trips (live)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit a local sanctuary (e.g. Project Chimps, Farm Sanctuary in New York State or California, The Turtle Hospital) • Attend a virtual live tour of a sanctuary (e.g. Luvin Arms Animal Sanctuary, Pasado's Safe Haven, or The Toucan Rescue Ranch live virtual field trip offerings) • Watch a live cam (e.g. go to Explore.org Live Cams and search for 'sanctuary')
Field Trips (recorded)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best Friends Animal Sanctuary in 360/VR (11 min) • Pasado's Safe Haven (21 min) • Farm Sanctuary VR (7 min) • Fauna Foundation Chimpanzee Sanctuary (10 min) • Story Book Farm Primate Sanctuary (4 min) • Save the Chimps (playlist - videos are about 5 min each) • Bali Dolphin Sanctuary (aka Umah Lumba Rehabilitation, Release and Retirement Center) (3 min)
Websites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Animal Sanctuaries lesson (includes the middle/high school Animal Sanctuary Design project) (Mike Farley) • Farm Sanctuary • Sheldrick Wildlife Trust • The Whale Sanctuary Project • Thungyai-Huai Kha Khaeng Wildlife Sanctuaries • Happy Hen Animal Sanctuary • Happily Ever Esther Farm Sanctuary
Articles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What Is An Animal Sanctuary? And Why Are Farm Sanctuaries So Important For Animals? (Sentient Media) • So You Want To Start A Farmed Animal Sanctuary (The Open Sanctuary Project) • How to Start an Animal Sanctuary (for dogs and cats) (Best Friends Animal Sanctuary)
Videos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Power of Sanctuary (Farm Sanctuary - 6 min) • Esther The Wonder Pig Changes Couple's Life (Caters Clips - 3 min) • Lek Chailert: Protecting elephants from the cruelty of the tourism and logging industries across Asia (We Animals Media - 4 min) • Gill Dalley: Co-Founder of the Soi Dog Foundation (We Animals Media - 4 min) • The Elephant Whisperers (Netflix - 41 min) • Life in the Doghouse (Docutainment - 84 min)
Books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barn 8 (Deb Olin Unferth - fiction) • The Chimps Of Fauna Sanctuary (Andrew Westoll - non-fiction) • Happily Ever Esther: Two Men, a Wonder Pig, and Their Life-Changing Mission to Give Animals a Home (Steve Jenkins, Derek Walter, Caprice Cane - non-fiction)