

Animals in Zoos

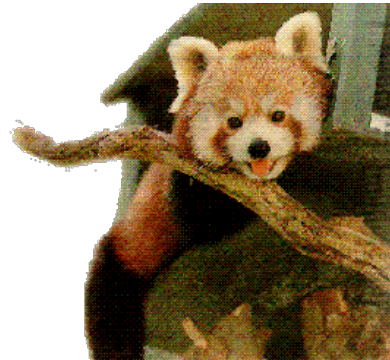
This task is about developing an argument about keeping animals in zoos.

Some people think that it is wrong to keep animals in zoos.

Other people think it is good to have animals in zoos.

Read the information below and think about this issue.

Then do the tasks that follow.



I'm an ORIENTAL SMALL- CLAWED OTTER and in the wild we live near the streams and rivers of South-East Asia. Sadly these streams are becoming polluted and it's getting harder and harder for us to find food in them. At Wellington Zoo you'll find me just as you walk out of the main entrance and if you're around at 1.30 pm you can watch me being fed.

Yay! Grapes again for lunch. You'd never know it but red pandas, like me, usually eat bamboo in our wild homes in the Himalayas. But I'd do anything for a grape – even pose with my tongue hanging out. My name is Reka, which means "beautiful" in Māori. Once I escaped from Wellington Zoo and explored Island Bay, but these days I hang around home.

a) List **two** arguments **for**, and **two** arguments **against**, keeping animals in zoos.

For Zoos	Against Zoos

b) Choose one side or the other of the argument.

Use the **two** reasons from your chart and any other ideas to write a short paragraph that tells people your views on keeping animals in zoos.

It is **right** to keep animals in zoos, **or** It is **wrong** to keep animals in zoos.

For Zoos	Against Zoos

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