8. Salmon and trout used to be caught from the wild. Now they are grown in fish farms.

- a) Fish should live free in the wild. They should not be imprisoned in cages.
- b) Fish can suffer stress if they are enclosed. Intensive fish farming is cruel.
- c) Fish farming causes pollution which hurts wildlife. We should find less intensive ways of farming fish.
- d) Salmon and trout are now cheap foods. Fish farming provides jobs and tasty food for people.
 - 9. British sheep are often sent on long journeys to France or the Netherlands to be fattened or killed for meat. The journeys often take a day and a night and can last for days.
 - a) We have no right to make animals go on long journeys like this. Long distance transport should be banned.
 - b) These long journeys make sheep suffer. They should be killed as close to home as possible.
 - c) People should eat food which is grown locally. Long journeys in lorries waste fuel and cause pollution.
 - d) Farmers need to make a living. Live exports means higher prices for their sheep. It also means that people abroad can enjoy fresh meat from Britain.

10. Organic meat comes from animals who can go outside for at least part of their lives. Their food is grown without using artificial chemicals.

- a) Animals still have to be killed to make meat, even if it is organic. It would be better to eat organic vegetarian food.
- b) It is better to eat meat which is organic. It can be kinder to animals.
- c) We should eat organic meat. It is kinder to the environment.
- d) Organic meat is more expensive. It is OK to eat it, but don't expect the rest of us to.

Assessing your score

Can you work out your own result? Each of the four positions, a), b), c) and d) represents a different philosophy.

What does each position represent? How does each position feel about how animals should be used for food?

Finally, work out which position you are most often giving the BIG tick to.



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- 1. Whales are in danger of becoming extinct. They have been killed for their meat and oil.
- a) It is wrong to kill whales. They are intelligent animals. We should leave them alone.
- b) The methods of killing whales are cruel. We should stop the slaughter until we can find a kinder way of killing them.
- c) We must stop whales becoming extinct. We should only kill a few so the species can survive.
- d) Killing whales is important to other cultures. We should let other people kill whales if they want to.

- 2. Many eggs are laid by hens who live in colony cages. Caged hens have less freedom than free-range hens.
- a) A cage is a prison. Hens should be allowed to live free.
- b) We should buy free-range eggs so the hens live happier lives.
- c) Large farms can cause pollution. We should keep animals in smaller groups to help the environment.
- d) Caged hens produce cheaper eggs. We shouldn't expect poor people to have to pay to give hens a better life.
- 3. Pigs and chickens are kept intensively in sheds to produce cheap meat. They are mainly fed on grains like wheat, maize and soya.
- a) All animals should be allowed outside and given some freedom.
- b) Animals suffer in factory farms. We should eat meat from free-range animals.
- c) We should eat less meat for the sake of the planet. Then we can afford free-range. It would be better to feed the grains to people.
- d) People should be able to buy cheap meat. If others want to pay more for free-range, that is up to them.



- 4. Vegetarians don't eat meat or fish. People become vegetarian for different reasons.
- a) We should live without killing. Animals have a right to life too.
- b) We should only eat meat from animals who have been given a good life.
- c) We should eat less meat. This would mean more land for wildlife.
- d) Meat is good for you and it tastes nice. There is nothing wrong in eating it.

- 5. In many parts of the world, people eat cats and dogs. They are often killed very cruelly.
- a) It is wrong to kill cats and dogs. They are our friends. They should be allowed a long and full life.
- b) Cruelty is always wrong. These animals should be killed more humanely.
- c) We may not like this, but it may be better than eating endangered species like monkeys.
- d) I would not like to eat dog, but that is the way I was brought up. People should eat what they like.
 - 6. Cod is a popular food. So many are being caught that cod has become rarer. Fishing may cause suffering to the fish. They may suffocate or be gutted alive.
 - a) Fish have a right to life too. We should leave them alone.
 - b) Fishing is cruel. We should find kinder ways of catching and killing them.
 - c) People should eat less cod until their numbers increase again.
 - d) Cod is good for you. If you like it you should eat it.
- 7. Cloning produces animals with identical genes to their parent. If you clone a cow which produces lots of milk, her offspring should do the same. However, they may also suffer health problems which can kill them.
- a) Cloning animals is wrong. We shouldn't mess around like this.
- b) These experiments cause unnecessary suffering. They should be banned.
- c) Cloning means more animals will be the same.
 Actually it is healthier if they are different.
 Cloning could increase the spread of disease.
 We shouldn't take this chance.
- d) Cloning could mean cheaper meat and milk. It's all right if we do it in a sensible way.

