#### **EXERCISES**

## 1. For each category, write three animals from the box

Dolphin- monkey -cat -iguana -caiman -dog Capybara- horse -cow -snake- rabbit -sheep

pets	farm animals	wild animals(mammals)	wild (reptiles)	animals

## 2. Read the descriptions and write the animals.

- **a.** This animal likes people, but doesn't like cats! You have to take it for a walk every day.
- **b.** This animal is small. It has long ears and a short tail. It loves carrots.
- c. This animal is very intelligent. It lives in the sea.
- **d.** This animal lives in the water, but can walk on land. It can be dangerous.
- e. This animal lives with people, but it's very independent. It likes eating fish.
- f. This animal is very long and lives in the jungle. It can be dangerous.

# 3. Look at the pictures and the title of the text. How is each picture connected to the title?

Read Marta's essay. How many examples does she give of animal cruelty?

# Animal cruelty by Marta Sánchez

We share our planet with millions of species of animals. Animals are beautiful and intelligent, but people often do terrible things to them. In my opinion, we have to stop cruelty to animals.

## **Circuses**

We love seeing animals like elephants and lions in circuses. They live in small cages, and people often hit the animals if they don't learn quickly. Some people think that the animals don't suffer because they are used to circus life. But I think it's cruel.

#### **Traditions**

Sports like bullfighting, fox hunting and dog fighting are popular in a lot of countries. Some people think that bullfighting is exciting, and say that it's fair because bulls are strong and powerful. But I disagree, because the bullfighter chooses to fight, but the bull can't choose.

## **Animal trafficking**

A lot of exotic animals are taken from their natural habitats. People can make a lot of money from animal trafficking. People buy them as pets, or kill them for food, or make products from their bodies such as souvenirs, clothes and medicine.







# Read the essay again. Copy and complete the table.

	Why do people use animals for this?	Why does Marta think it's cruel?
Circuses		
Bullfighting		
Animal trafficking		

## 4. Read the situations and give your opinions

There is a laboratory near my house where they use animals for experiments. I know there are dogs, cats and rabbits there. They give substances to the animals to see their reactions.

My friend has three cats. One of them is his favourite. ometimes, when the other two cats do something wrong, my friend hits them.

My friend Paola is vegetarian. She thinks it's wrong to kill animals and use their meat for food. I understand her point of view, but sometimes she gets angry with me too when I eat

People do horse racing in my town. They don't kill the horses, but sometimes the horses die when they fall. I think it's cruel to use animals for sport.

- 5. Choose one of the situations above; write a short composition about the topic. Remember the use of connectors and linkers
- 6. Read the next exercise and solve it



Name Date

# **Key Vocabulary**

burrows

underground tunnels that small animals live in

# All About Groundhogs

Groundhogs are shy and do not like crowds. That's why they like to live in **burrows**. They eat lots of grass and other plants. They also munch on fruit and tree bark. When it gets cold outside, they crawl into their burrows and sleep until spring. You can watch them



from far away, but don't get too close. They are happiest when left alone. Groundhogs belong in the wild where they can do what they want, not in cages or on stage. Please be kind to groundhogs.

1. Why do groundhogs like to live in burrows?	
2. What do groundhogs do when it gets cold outside?	
3. Why do groundhogs belong in the wild?	

