

Do we love animals?

We humans find animals cute, boring, smelly, pretty, fluffy, slippery, fast, smart, flexible and sometimes also awkward. But do we love animals?

“Of course!”, a lot of people very quickly answer this question: “We humans love animals”.

But, when we look a little closer the answer is not quite so straightforward any more. A lot of our domestic animals we say we love very much we don't always treat them very well. Our animal husbandry procedures are often inappropriate for every species, lab animals suffer during experiments, other animals we force to ride bicycles in circuses, and many others we put in tight cages where they sit around, are bored and are often made sick because of it. You see - it is worthwhile to think about our strange relationship to animals.

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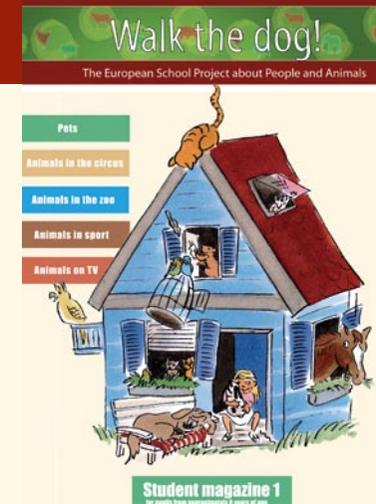
offers education resources for teachers, children, parents and the public: worksheets, stories, illustrations, audio books, interactive games, printable materials, movies and much more. Though most of them in German, it is possible to download or order publications in English, Serbian and Greek. Further translations in progress.

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Animal Welfare education?

Sustainable positive changes in how we manage animals and the link to social behavior can only be reached by improving our knowledge of special needs and focusing on the modest use of animals within the general public; this is the greatest concern of **Walk the dog!** Sadly, animal welfare hardly plays a role in school curricula. Nevertheless, as our children are the consumers of tomorrow and future keepers of animals, it is especially important to teach them to be fair and responsible concerning animals, inform them about the origin and production of food and raise their awareness how animals should be handled and treated.

Walk the dog! stands for the transference of profes-



sional animal welfare based on current scientific knowledge. We offer information of highest quality keeping in mind that reliable animal welfare education is adjunctive with lots of responsibility.

Who We Are

The general aim of The European Commission's activities in the area of Animal Welfare is to ensure that animals need not endure avoidable pain or suffering and to oblige the owner or keeper of animals to respect animal welfare requirements. To reach these goals on a sustainable level the Erna-Graff-Foundation developed multi-disciplinary instruction material for all age groups, which is supplemented by on-line sections.

The project **Walk the dog!** became amazingly successfully in Germany and has reached tens of thousands of pupils. For further information on our organisation please check our website www.walk-the-dog.eu or send an email to: info@walk-the-dog.eu

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A „teachers box“-website

A radio show, a DVD, a comic

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For sustainable animal welfare in Europe!

Walk the dog! guides our children and teenagers to be fair and responsible concerning animals and raises awareness of how animals should be handled and treated.