

# Rebuttal Worksheet One

Match the proposition arguments to the opposition rebuttal. The motion is "This House Would Ban Zoos"

## PROPOSITION

1. It is cruel and unnatural to keep animals locked in zoo enclosures
2. It is wrong to trap animals simply for our entertainment
3. Zoos are just focussed on exploiting animals for money
4. If people see animals in zoos, they assumed the species is safe and therefore care less about protecting animals in the wild

## OPPOSITION

- A) Zoos use the money they make to fund research into looking after animals
- B) By seeing animals in zoos people can learn more about them - lots of schools go on trips to zoos
- C) Seeing animals in zoos, people are more likely to care about their counterparts in the wild
- D) If animals weren't looked after in zoos they would die - they are safer in zoos than in the wild

Can you think of another argument for Proposition and the rebuttal for it? Write them both here:

Which side is each argument for? Can you think of rebuttal for it?

- The lives animal lead in zoos are miserable. They are left in cramped cages which bear no similarity to their natural habitats
- Zoos are a great way for us to learn more about the world, especially countries and creatures that are far away from us
- Zoos allow scientists to do lots of important research and learn more about animals, especially those that are hard to find in the wild
- People tapping on glass windows and peering into cages causes the animals lots of stress