

Humane Education



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*One of the objectives of education
from nursery school onwards
must be to give children a
balanced sensitivity to life
– a humane education.*

Standing Senate Committee on Health, Welfare and Science,
1980



Presence of 'Five Freedoms' for Animal Welfare

Quality of life

From hunger, thirst From pain, injury, disease From fear and distress From discomfort To express normal behavior

High	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Good	Yes	Yes	Yes	+/-	+/-
Borderline	Yes	+/-	+/-	+/-	No
<i>Intervention threshold: evaluate competency to provide care</i>					
Poor	+/-	+/-	No	No	No
A life not worth living	No	No	No	No	No

Quality of caregiving and results:

Competent Care

Animal welfare safeguarded

Borderline Care

Animals at risk

Incompetent Care

Animal suffering present

Cruelty typically prosecuted

Cruelty exists, consider prosecution

Humane Education

Humane Education – components:

- Empathy building
- Knowledge of animals' needs
- Animal care skills
- Critical thinking

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Humane Education – delivery:

1. Reaching into schools
Provincial Curriculum, credible source
2. Appropriate level of understanding
Age-appropriate lessons & outcomes
3. Engaging students
Involving children in creative activities

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Early grades

empathy building,
animal care, safety

Middle years

Issues examination,
service learning

High school

species-specific,
career focus

Humane Education

- Resources for teachers (primarily)
- Work with partners (e.g., agriculture)
- Open access (online, free)
- Influence provincial curriculum
- Evaluation/feedback

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HELPING TEACHERS INSPIRE COMPASSION FOR ANIMALS, PEOPLE & THE ENVIRONMENT



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Borrow a free set of books and activities that encourage compassion and empathy.



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These classroom resources are available for your program of resources.

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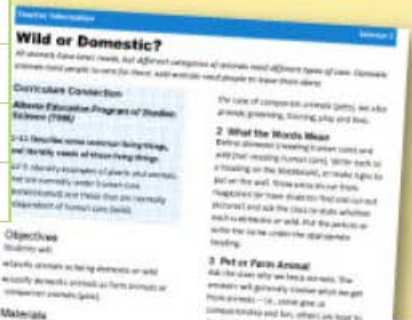
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Grade 1

Wild or Domestic

- These lesson activities focus on the classification and needs of pets, farm animals and wild animals.

Worms Wiggle While They Work

- A friendly introduction to some creatures that may seem unappealing at first glance; students will learn the value of worms to the environment.
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HEALTH

Animal Art

- Through the activity “Ani-motion” students are encouraged to express their emotions or feelings about animals, animal issues and the human-animal bond through the creation of art.
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MUSIC

Animal Music

- Through discussion of sound, dynamics, and movement students will listen to “The Carnival of Animals” by Camille Saint-Saens and explore the



Junior High

Animal Book Review new!

- Have your students read a book featuring an animal and then write a review! Our [Recommended Reading](#) webpage has a wide array of great books that feature animals in a realistic way. Send your students' reviews to us and they may be featured on our website.

Animal Adjectives

- You may have heard of a serpentine river that meanders like a snake, or an elephantine item that's big as an elephant, but there are many other adjectives based on animals. Students will expand their vocabularies by applying strategies to identify words then use them in sentences.

Animal Descriptions

- By using adjectives students will describe an image that other students must draw. Subsequently, students will draw an image from another student's description, gaining an appreciation for how description evokes imagery.

Animals in Advertising

- Animals are popular and effective tools used by advertisers. A look at how and why animals are used as a part of effective marketing as well as



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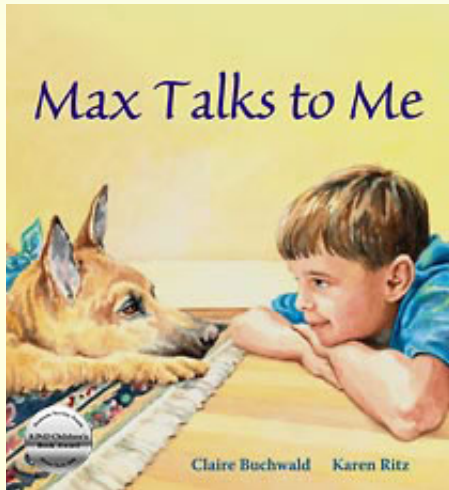


AnimalTales is a book program created for Alberta Elementary teachers who want to encourage their students to be more compassionate and develop greater reverence for living things. Each grade level contains four books, an accompanying

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Animal Tales



- ✓ Identifying dog body language
- ✓ Using body language to convey feeling (charades)
- ✓ Demonstrating ways to show appreciation
- ✓ Benefits and challenges of owning different types of pets;
- ✓ Identifying the needs of pets;
- ✓ Writing a story from the perspective of an animal;
- ✓ Constructing double bar graphs to represent statistics about pet ownership.



Kindness Challenge

[Cliquez ici pour la version française](#)

As a Class...

Spend a week engaging in thoughtful acts of kindness for animals, people and the environment.
[Get started!](#)

Or

Plan a *kindness project* that will have a positive impact at school or in the community. Not sure where to begin? [Step-by-step guide](#).



[Sign up](#) for our e-newsletter to receive your free classroom poster

- [Share your accomplishment](#), get added to the [Kindness Map](#) and inspire other schools to make a difference!
- Make it meaningful! [Reflection questions](#) will help students create meaning from

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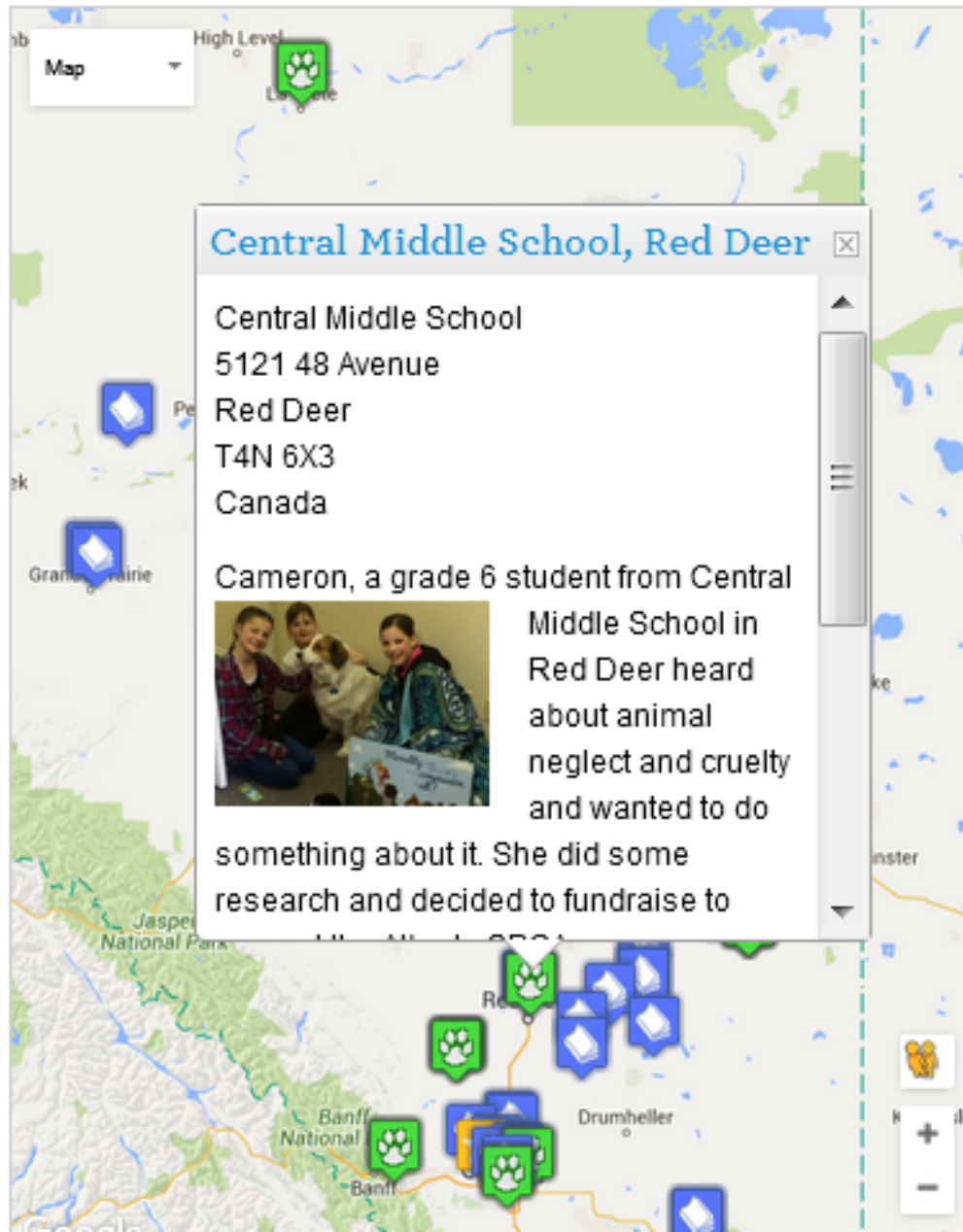
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Kindness Map

Making your mark on our Kindness Map will help inspire other classes and groups across the province to show compassion and make a positive difference in the lives of animals in your community! Have you made your mark?

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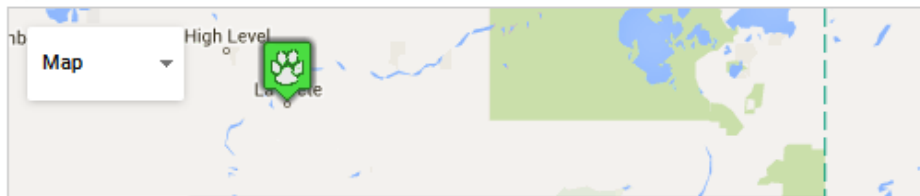
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Building

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Events for April 2016

EVENTS IN VIEW AS
 Date Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
	Season for Nonviolence – Week 9				SEEDS Bird Challenge begins	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			Aggie Days – Calgary	Aggie Days – Calgary	Aggie Days – Calgary	Aggie Days – Calgary
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Aggie Days – Calgary	National Wildlife Week	National Wildlife Week	National Wildlife Week	National Wildlife Week	National Wildlife Week	National Wildlife Week
National Wildlife Week						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Pitch-In Canada Week	Pitch-In Canada Week	Pitch-In Canada Week	Pitch-In Canada Week	Pitch-In Canada Week	Pitch-In Canada Week	Pitch-In Canada Week
					Earth Day	





CTS Animal Courses

...relevant and engaged learning about animal care & welfare

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CTS Animal Care Resources



The Alberta SPCA supports students as they discover, explore and expand their interests, abilities, experiences and passion for animal care and welfare. The Career and Technology Studies resources on this website are offered free of charge to Alberta teachers and students and can be accessed through the links below. Teaching and learning guides for each of these Career and Technology Studies resources can be accessed through the **Info for Teachers** link on the top bar of this page.



Your ideas:

