





Wales Schools Debating Championships **MOTION**

Key Issue: This should just be a statement implying what the central theme of the debate should be.



Picture with caption, something to get people thinking. One of the key stake holders maybe?

Facts and Figures—these should compliment your arguments, not replace them! *site the sources*

- What number of people are we talking about
- If the motion has been tried before, where and how successful was it?
- Any potential key quotes from 'important people'

Questions to consider (just brief ideas that both sides could answer for their case)

- 1. Who is most important?
- 2. Who's responsibility is it?
- 3. Are there any alternatives?
- 4. What's happening at the moment
- 5. Is the world we live in good/bad

These questions will mostly need to be altered for each motion and given heavy context!

Remember to fully engage the audience, the basics of analysis and Rebuttal, and enjoy yourself! Good luck!





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'This House would ban zoos'

Key Issue: Animal welfare is becoming increasingly important to people across the world. Do zoos help or hinder animal welfare?



Lions in a zoo: is it fair to keep them there?

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- On average, Lions and Tigers have 18,000 times less space than in the wild (freedomforanimals.org)
- The largest zoo in land size is the North Carolina Zoo with 535 acres (Ducksters.com)
- Some zoos participate in up to 61 different animal breeding programmes (Zoological Society of London)
- Over 700 million people visit zoos each year (zoos. Media)

Questions to consider:

- 1. What is the purpose of zoos?
- 2. What would the lives of animals look like outside of zoos?
- 3. Are there any alternatives to zoos?
- 4. Are animals safe in these zoos? Are there threats that they are being protected from?
- 5. Do people themselves benefit from zoos?
- 6. Do animals have particular rights that need protecting?
- 7. What is the most important thing that we need to consider in this debate?

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