

animal**1. ['ænim(ə)] n****1. животное; зверь**

domestic [four-footed herbivorous] animals - домашние [четвероногие, травоядные] животные

fur-bearing animals - *собир.* пушной зверь

dumb animal - бессловесная тварь

2. млекопитающее (животное)**3. 1) животное, зверь, скотина (о человеке)****2) животная природа, животное начало (в человеке)**

to rouse the animal in smb. - пробудить в ком-л. зверя

4. *разг.* что-л. странное, необычное; штука

the new airplane was a fast animal - новый самолёт был быстроходной штукой

there ain't no such animal! - *шутл.* такого не бывает!**5. *pl* полимино (математическая игра)****2. ['ænim(ə)] a****1. животный, относящийся к животному миру; анимальный**

animal life - жизнь животных

animal heat - температура тела теплокровных животных

animal hauling - живое тягло, животная тяга

animal bones - костяная мука (*удобрение*)

animal chemistry - биохимия животных

animal charcoal - животный уголь

animal worship - поклонение (*какому-л.*) животному; обожествление животных; культ животных**2. относящийся к животноводству, животноводческий**

animal breeder - животновод

animal farm - животноводческое хозяйство, животноводческая ферма

3. *неодобр.* животный, физический, плотский; чувственный

animal desires - физические /плотские/ влечения

animal nature - животная природа, животное начало

animal needs - физиологические потребности

animal fear - животный страх

animal breeding /raising/ - животноводство

animal

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ani-mal [animal animals] noun, adjective BrE ['æniml] ^m NAmE ['æniml] ^m**noun****1. a creature that is not a bird, a fish, a ↑reptile, an insect or a human**

- the animals and birds of South America
- a small furry animal
- Fish oils are less saturated than animal fats.
- domestic animals such as dogs and cats

2. any living thing that is not a plant or a human

- the animal kingdom
- This product has not been tested on animals.

3. any living creature, including humans

- Humans are the only animals to have developed speech.

compare ↑vegetable**4. a person who behaves in a cruel or unpleasant way, or who is very dirty**

- The person who did this is an animal, a brute.

5. a particular type of person, thing, organization, etc

- She's not a political animal.
- The government that followed the election was a very different animal.

see also ↑dumb animal, ↑higher animalsWord Origin:Middle English: the noun from Latin **animal**, based on Latin **animalis** 'having breath' from **anima**, 'breath'; the adjective via Old French from Latin **animalis**.Culture:**animals**

The British and Americans are famous for being animal lovers, and many families have at least one ↑pet. People from other countries often think British and American people are sentimental about animals, and say that they fuss over them and treat them better than human beings.

At weekends people in Britain often visit **farm parks**, **safari parks** (= parks where people can drive close to lions, zebras etc.), **zoos**, **bird parks** and **sea life centres**. In the US there are zoos and **aquaria** (= large tanks of fish), which are educational, and also amusement parks with animals, like Busch Gardens and **Disney's Animal Kingdom**.

Television programmes about animals are very popular. These range from factual programmes about wildlife to films starring fictional animals such as ↑Lassie and ↑Tom and Jerry. Children are given cuddly toy animals and picture books. Children's literature has created many famous animal characters, such as ↑Black Beauty, ↑Brer Rabbit, Pooh, and Ratty, Mole and Toad in

↑**Wind in the Willows**. Many animals in books have their own distinctive character: lions are typically brave, foxes are cunning and cats are proud.

There are laws against cruelty to animals in Britain and the US. People give generously to animal charities such as the ↑**RSPCA** and the ↑**ASPCA**, and there are **animal hospitals** and **rescue centres** for injured and abandoned animals. Most are fairly modern, and many animals live in a large **enclosure** similar to their natural **habitat**, rather than in a cage. Often zoos keep only animals that cannot survive in the wild or were born in **captivity**. Some breed animals to put back into the wild and try to raise public awareness about the need for **conservation**.

Many people care about wild animals. People feed wild birds in the winter and some have a bird table in the garden. In the US the National Wildlife Federation (NWF) helps people to create their own 'backyard wildlife habitat'.

There are often campaigns to save species that are **endangered** (= that may become extinct), such as wolves and buffalo in the US, and red squirrels and hedgehogs in Britain. In rural areas people generally have much less romantic ideas about animals. In Britain ↑**hunting** foxes with dogs arouses hostile feelings, especially among people living in towns, but the law to ban it, which came into effect in 2005, is seen by many people living in the country as an attack on their way of life.

In Britain and the US many people are concerned about **animal rights**, especially the use of animals in scientific research and public pressure has forced many cosmetics manufacturers to stop testing products on animals. Several groups, including the ↑**Animal Liberation Front** and **PETA**, strongly oppose **vivisection** (= the use of live animals in experiments) and **animal rights activists** organize protests at laboratories where animals are used. Sometimes people who work or invest in companies that own the laboratories are threatened.

Concern about farming methods in which animals are fattened as quickly as possible in artificial conditions causes many people to become vegetarians or to buy only meat that is from animals that have lived in good conditions.

Thesaurus:

animal noun C

• Strange animals inhabit the forest.

creature • • **being** • • **living thing** • |old-fashioned formal **beast** • |formal biology **organism** •

a **living** animal/creature/thing/being/organism

a **wild** animal/creature/thing/beast

a **mythical** creature/beast

Collocations:

The living world

Animals

animals **mate/breed/reproduce/feed (on sth)**

fish/amphibians **swim/spawn** (= lay eggs)

birds **fly/migrate/nest/sing**

insects **crawl/fly/bite/sting**

insects/bees/locusts **swarm**

bees **collect/gather** nectar/pollen

spiders **spin/weave** a web

snakes/lizards **shed their skins**

bears/hedgehogs/frogs **hibernate**

insect larvae **grow/develop/pupate**

an egg/a chick/a larva **hatches**

attract/find/choose a mate

produce/release eggs/sperm

lay/fertilize/incubate/hatch eggs

inhabit a forest/a reef/the coast

mark/enter/defend (a) territory

stalk/hunt/capture/catch/kill prey

Plants and fungi

trees/plants **grow/bloom/blossom/flower**

a seed **germinates/sprouts**

leaves/buds/roots/shoots **appear/develop/form**

flower buds **swell/open**

a fungus **grows/spreads/colonizes sth**

pollinate/fertilize a flower/plant

produce/release/spread/disperse pollen/seeds/spores

produce/bear fruit

develop/grow/form roots/shoots/leaves

provide/supply/absorb/extract/release nutrients

perform/increase/reduce photosynthesis

Bacteria and viruses

bacteria/microbes/viruses **grow/spread/multiply**

bacteria/microbes **live/thrive** in/on sth

bacteria/microbes/viruses **evolve/colonize sth/cause disease**

bacteria **break sth down/convert sth (into sth)**

a virus **enters/invades** sth/the body

a virus **mutates/evolves/replicates (itself)**

be infected with/contaminated with/exposed to a new strain of a virus/drug-resistant bacteria

contain/carry/harbour (especially US) harbor bacteria/a virus
kill/destroy/eliminate harmful/deadly bacteria

Example Bank:

- In court he was banned from keeping animals.
- Most cloned animals die at a premature age.
- She sleeps with lots of stuffed animals.
- The animals were fed only on pasture.
- This animal can be trained to follow simple orders.
- animals bred in captivity
- glass cases of stuffed animals
- pack animals such as mules
- protesting against animal experiments
- research with humans and non-human animals
- the export of live animals for slaughter
- the wonders of the animal kingdom
- Animal rights groups are staging a protest against the fur trade this Saturday.
- No animals were harmed in the making of this motion picture.
- These birds perform a ritual which is unique in the animal kingdom.

adjective only before noun

relating to the physical needs and basic feelings of people

- **animal desires/passion/instincts**
- **animal magnetism** (= a quality in sb that other people find attractive, usually in a sexual way)

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I. **an** **imal** ¹ **S1 W1** /'ænəməl, 'æniməl/ **BrE** [°] **AmE** [°] **noun** [countable]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Latin; Origin: animalis 'having life', from anima 'soul']

1. a living creature such as a dog or cat, that is not an insect, plant, bird, fish, or person:

▪ furry little animals

wild/domestic/farm animals

- cattle, sheep, and other domestic animals
- The cosmetics have not been tested on animals.
- Beth is an **animal lover** (=someone who likes animals).

2. any living creature that is not a plant or a person:

- He can't stand **cruelty to animals** of any sort.
- the animal welfare movement in Britain
- the enormous diversity of **the animal kingdom**

3. any living creature, including people:

- Man is a highly intelligent animal.

4. **informal** someone who behaves in a cruel, violent, or very rude way:

- Football hooligans are just animals.

5. a **(very/completely/entirely) different animal** **informal** something that is very different from the thing you have mentioned:

- Writing email is a very different animal from all other forms of writing.

6. a **political/social etc animal** **informal** someone who is interested in politics, in meeting other people etc:

- He is simply not a social animal.

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- **animal** a living thing such as a dog, cow, or tiger, but not an insect, fish, or bird: farm animals such as cows, sheep, and pigs | People are becoming more concerned about animal welfare.
- **creature** /'kri:tʃə-ər/ an animal – used especially when describing a particular animal's characteristics or when referring to animals generally: The cheetah is a magnificent creature. | all the living creatures in the sea
- **beast** an animal, especially a large or dangerous one: To most people, lions are savage beasts. | a wild beast
- **living thing** an animal considered as one of a group of things that grow and then die, including humans and plants: The only living things we saw were dogs and cats.
- **species** /'spi:ʃi:z/ a group of animals whose members are similar and can breed together to produce young animals: Seven species of birds of prey have been observed.
- **mammal** an animal that drinks milk from its mother's body when it is young: Humans, dogs, and whales are all mammals.
- **vertebrate** a living creature that has a backbone: viruses that affect chickens, monkeys, and most other vertebrates
- **invertebrate** a living creature that does not have a backbone: earthworms and other small invertebrates

II. **animal** ² **BrE** [°] **AmE** [°] **adjective**

1. **animal urges/instincts etc** human feelings, desires etc that are connected with sex, food, and other basic needs

2. **animal products/fats/protein etc** things that are made or come from animals:

- a diet rich in red meat and animal fats

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