

Animals Make Us Human

Discussion Questions & Brainstorming Activity

Ask students:

- What is in the hearts of the children on the posters?
- How are the children showing kindness or responsibility for the animals?
- How are we like animals?
- How are we different from animals?
- In what ways are we responsible for animals?
- Do animals help us? If so, how? (Brainstorm a list) (ie: service animals, comfort, protection,
- Many people dedicate their lives to helping animals. Who are some of these people? (Veterinarians, trainers, animal shelter workers, animal protection officers, animal scientists such as Jane Goodall and Temple Grandin) *Share with your students some information on Temple Grandin's life. To learn more about her, visit: everylivingthing.ca/poster*
For more information on careers with animals visit: everylivingthing.ca/careers
- What do you think Temple Grandin means when she says "Animals make us human"?

What's in Your Heart?

Brainstorm with your students some of the things that they have in their heart – the things that they care about (animals, people and the environment). Ask students to think about who or what else needs their care and compassion – encourage them add more to their heart that

would help spread kindness. Have students draw, write, or create a presentation about what is in their heart.

Combine all of their hearts to create a wall of compassion. Spread the kindness to other schools in Alberta by sending us your hearts (or photos of your hearts) and we will add it to our flickr site!

Get on the Kindness Map!

Mail or email us your students' work and we will add your class to our Kindness Map and add their hearts to our flickr site. Your class will also receive stickers! Fill out the following information and send it along with some student examples to:

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Or email us at: education@albertaspca.org

Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms.

Teacher's Name

School Name

School Address

Email Address

Grade level or group

Number of students in class: _____

I give permission to add student work to the Alberta SPCA flickr website.

