

Hunting: Sport or Atrocity?

HA-25



At the end of the lesson, the student will be able to:

*share and support their ideas on whether hunting is a sport or an atrocity; enumerate words related to hunting and use them in a sentence.









Read the Article:

A: What do you think of fox-hunting?

B: It's an atrocity.

A: But if you worked on a farm and your chickens were killed by foxes, you'd think differently.

B: I doubt it. People who keep all those **hounds** really enjoy killing foxes. Besides, it's such a cruel way to kill them.

A: Do you really think so? Once the first dog has caught up with the fox, death is fairly instant.

B: You seem to forget that the fox is already dying of exhaustion after a **long chase**, then it's **torn** to pieces. If farmers really need to kill foxes, why don't they just shoot them? There'd be far less damage to the countryside without hunts.

A: But fox-hunting is part of country life. It's one of our traditions.

B: Dog fighting and **cock fighting** were traditions and so was **slavery** before we became a more civilized society by making these things illegal.







Express Yourself:

- 1. Many vegetarians believe that factory farming is a cruel and unnecessary practice and that our diets would be healthier if we eat less meat. Do you agree?
- 2. Animal rights protesters argue that the export of live animals for slaughter is uncivilized and should be prohibited under international law. Do you agree?
- 3. "Keeping animals in zoos and circuses to entertain humanbeings is selfish and inhumane." Do you agree?
- 4. Bullfighting, fox-hunting and whale-hunting are part of some countries' traditions. Do you think that Spain, England and Japan have the right to continue these traditions?
- 5. Is it right to use animals for medical research or to test cosmetics?
- 6. Would you ever wear a fur coat?