

Vegan Education in Schools

Vegan Clubs

Years 7 to 12

1. Animal-themed quizzes

Overview

Quizzes are an engaging way to educate students about animals, their lives, and the challenges they face. They combine fun and learning, encouraging participation and sparking curiosity about animal protection.

Quiz content ideas

1. Animal behaviours and habitats

- "Which bird starting with the letter A can sleep while flying?" (Answer: Albatross)
- "What is the primary diet of a koala?" (Answer: Eucalyptus leaves)
- "Which animal is known as the 'engineer of the forest' for building dams?" (Answer: Beaver)

2. Endangered species

- "Approximately how many tigers are estimated to live in the wild today?" (Answer: 5,574)
- "Which species is considered the most trafficked animal in the world?" (Answer: Pangolin)
- "What is the primary cause of orangutan habitat loss?" (Answer: Palm oil deforestation)

3. Animal protection laws

- "What is the name of the Australian act protecting marine mammals?" (Answer: The Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act)
- "Which country was the first to ban fur farming?" (Answer: The United Kingdom)

4. Famous animal activists and rescues

- "Which primatologist founded an organisation in 1977 to protect chimpanzees?" (Answer: Jane Goodall)
- "Which organisation is known for the slogan, 'Animals are not ours to eat, wear, experiment on or use for entertainment'?" (Answer: PETA)

5. Fun facts about animals

- "Which mammal can hold their breath the longest underwater?" (Answer: Cuvier's beaked whale)
 - "How many hearts does an octopus have?" (Answer: Three)
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Interactive tools and platforms

1. Kahoot or mentimeter

- Create real-time quizzes where students compete to answer questions fastest. Use visuals like photos or videos for questions.

2. quizizz

- Add gamified elements, like power-ups and leaderboard rankings, to motivate participation.

3. Google forms or MS forms

- Use these for asynchronous quizzes and include explanations for each answer for deeper learning.

4. Paper-based quizzes

- Organise team-based quizzes in a classroom setting, encouraging collaboration.
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Creative quiz formats

1. Who am I?

- Provide clues about an animal or activist, and students guess the correct answer. Example: "I live in the Arctic, I'm known for my thick white fur, and I'm a marine mammal." (Answer: Polar bear)

2. True or false

- Include surprising or myth-busting statements like: "Kangaroos can't jump backwards." (True)

3. Picture rounds

- Show images of animals, habitats or rescue efforts and ask students to identify the species or describe the issue depicted.

4. Jeopardy-style quiz

- Divide the quiz into categories such as "Wildlife Conservation," "Farmed Animals," and "Marine Life" with increasing difficulty and points for each question.

5. Scavenger hunt quiz

- Pair the quiz with a scavenger hunt, where students collect answers from posters, videos or educational materials displayed around the classroom or campus.

Additional quiz ideas

1. Rescue stories quiz

- Share rescue videos or case studies and ask questions about the animal's journey or the organization involved.

2. Animal sounds challenge

- Play audio clips of animal calls and ask students to identify the species.

3. Climate and animals

- Quiz students on how climate change affects different species. Example: "Which polar animal relies on sea ice to hunt seals?" (Answer: Polar bear)

4. Animal rights heroes

- Highlight notable figures and their contributions to animal rights and conservation. Example: "Which organisation led the campaign to save whales with the slogan 'Save the Whales'?" (Answer: Greenpeace)

How to make it engaging

1. Prizes and recognition

- Offer small rewards like vegan snacks, animal-themed bookmarks or certificates for top performers.

2. Team participation

- Create small groups for collaborative quiz rounds to foster teamwork and discussion.

3. Use visuals

- Add photos, GIFs or short videos to make questions visually stimulating.

4. Add a twist

- Include humorous or surprising questions to keep students entertained. Example: "Which animal has square-shaped poop?" (Answer: Wombat)
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Outcomes

- **Increased awareness:** Students learn about animal advocacy, behaviour and activism in a fun and memorable way.
- **Collaboration:** Quizzes encourage teamwork and spark discussions among participants.
- **Empowerment:** Students feel more informed and inspired to take action for animals.