



A RAT'S LIFE



Cruel Kyrie

Eating at KFC is mean. KFC chickens are stuck in a big shed and don't get to breathe fresh air or feel born until they have their beak cut off. You can stand up for chickens: Don't eat at KFC, and let your friends not to eat there, either.

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AWESOME RATS! RATS ARE FASCINATING ANIMALS! DID YOU KNOW ...

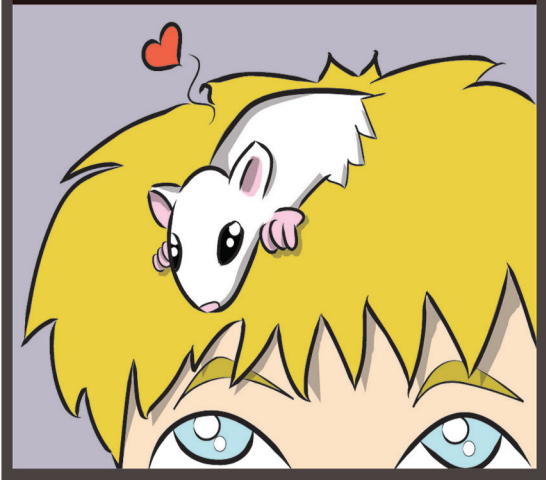
RATS WANT THEIR BODIES TO BE VERY CLEAN AND WILL WORK REALLY HARD TO RID THEMSELVES OF DIRT. RAT FAMILIES GROW UP HEALTHY IF THEY HAVE GOOD FOOD, WATER, AND SHELTER.



IF NO ONE FORCES THEM TO LIVE IN AN UNCLEAN CAGE, THEIR SKIN HAS A NICE PERFUME-LIKE SCENT.



RATS ARE SMART, CURIOUS, AND FRIENDLY. THEY CAN BE AS OUTGOING AND GENTLE AS ANY HUMAN.

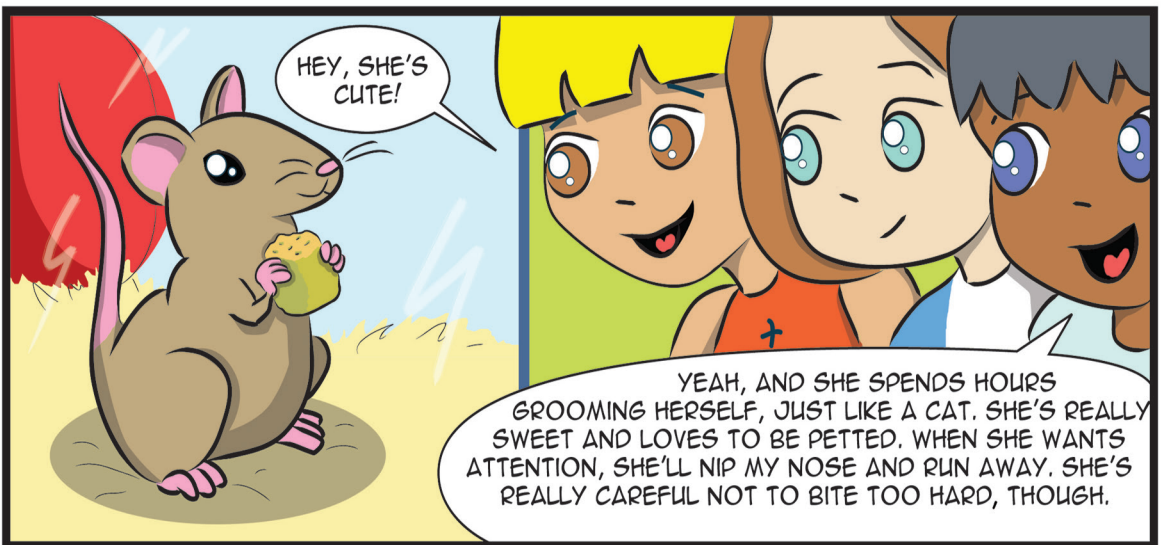
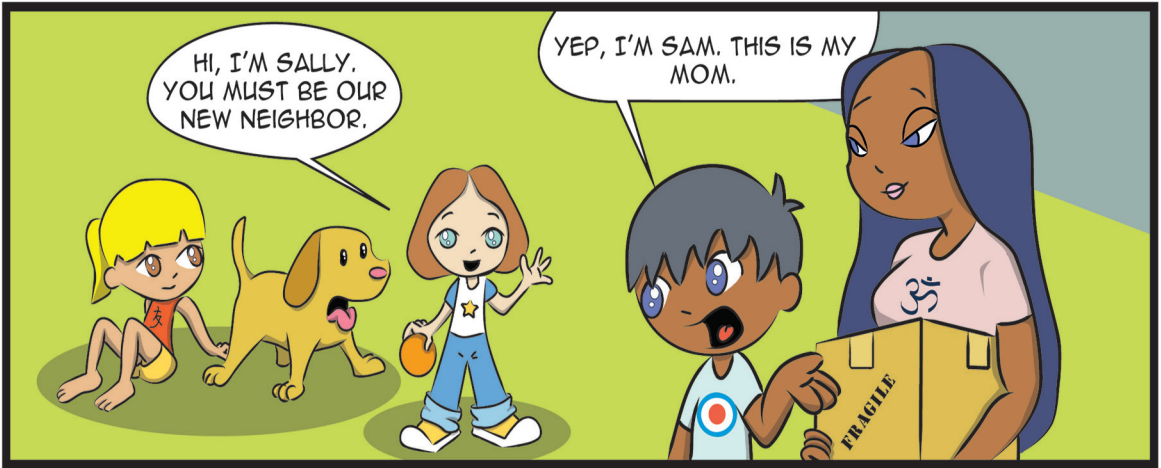


IF YOU ARE NICE TO THEM, RATS CAN BE HAPPY JUST LIKE US. OF COURSE, THEY ALSO FEEL PAIN, JUST AS DOGS, CATS, AND WE DO.



RATS HAVE POOR EYESIGHT BUT EXCELLENT SENSES OF SMELL, TASTE, TOUCH, AND HEARING.



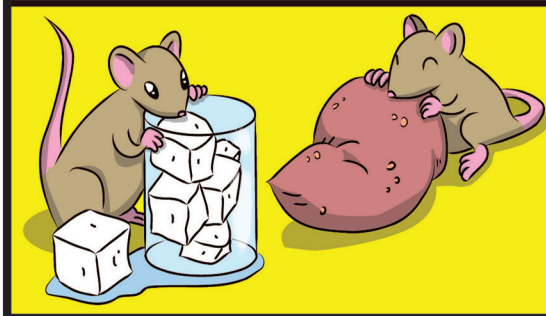




SHE LOVES TO PLAY AND GET INTO THINGS. YESTERDAY, SHE SPENT HOURS PULLING MY DIRTY CLOTHES FROM THE LAUNDRY BAG.



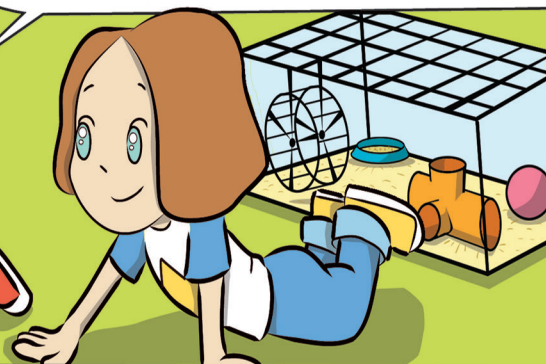
IF I LEAVE A GLASS OF ICE WATER ON THE FLOOR FOR HER, SHE'LL TAKE OUT EACH ICE CUBE AND CARRY IT AWAY FROM THE GLASS IN HER TEETH. SWEET POTATOES ARE HER FAVORITE TREAT. SHE LOVES THEM.



DID YOU GET HER FROM A PET STORE?

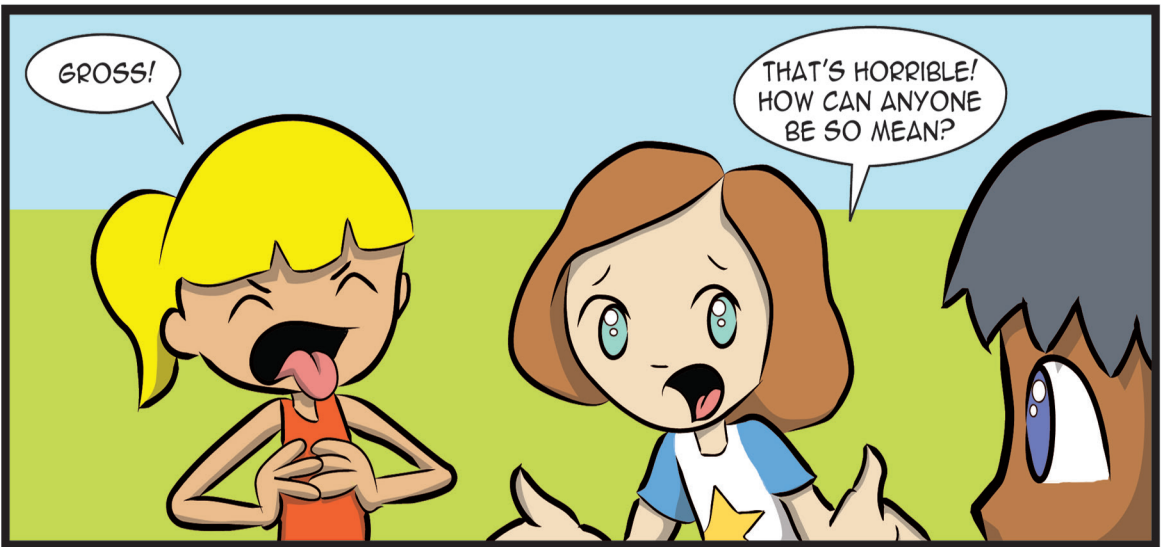
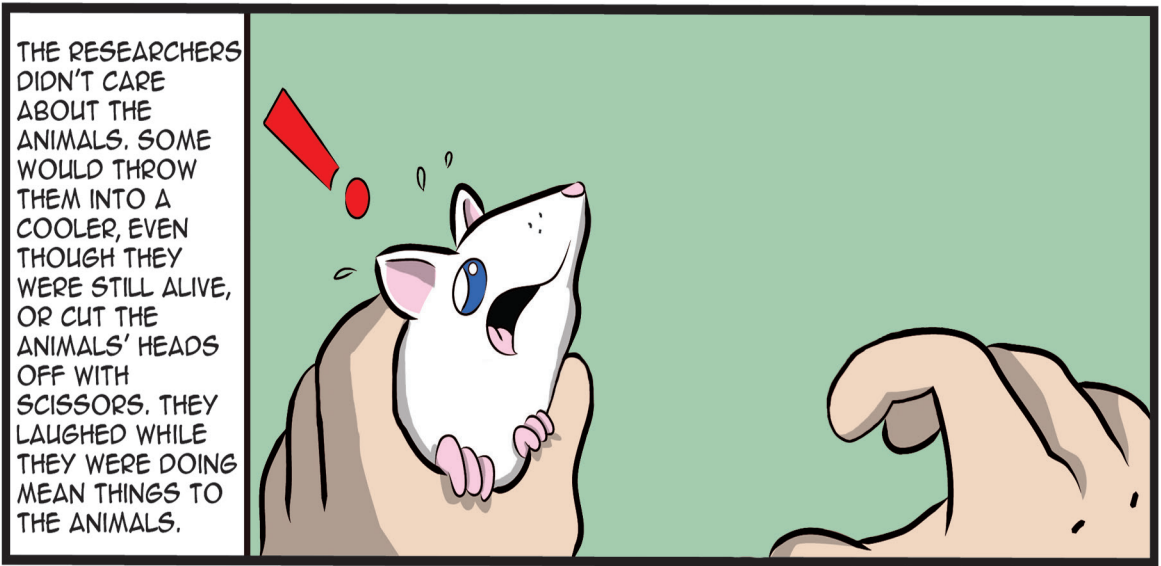
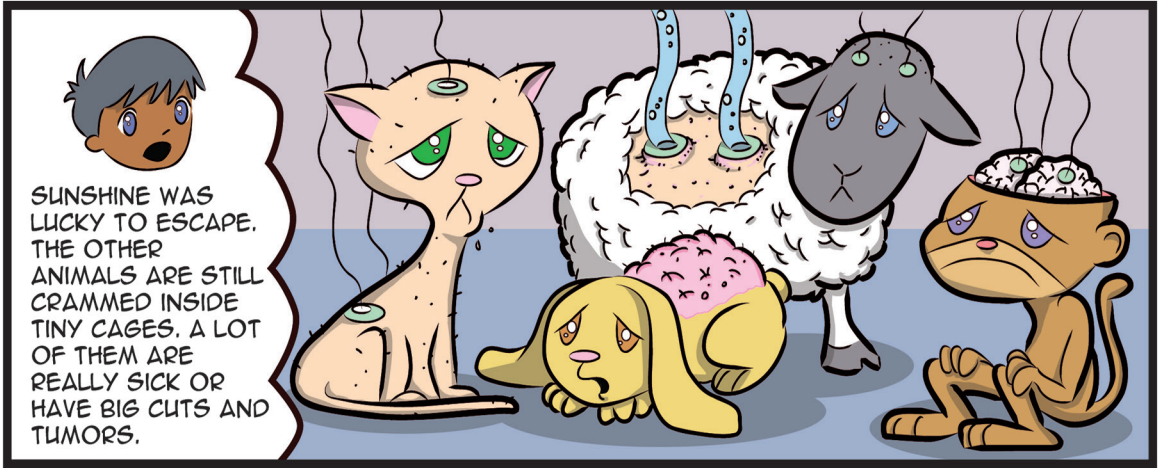


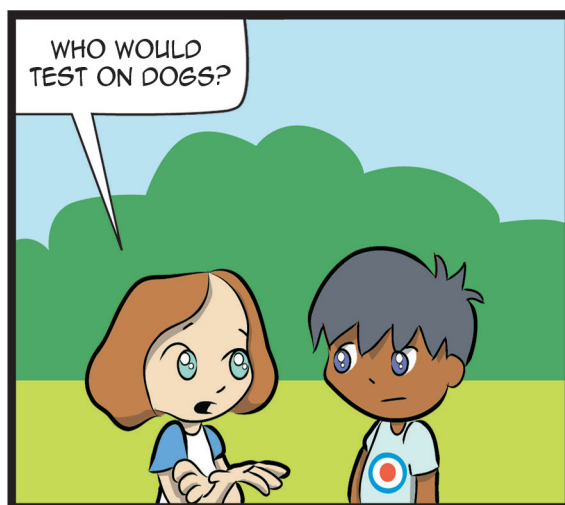
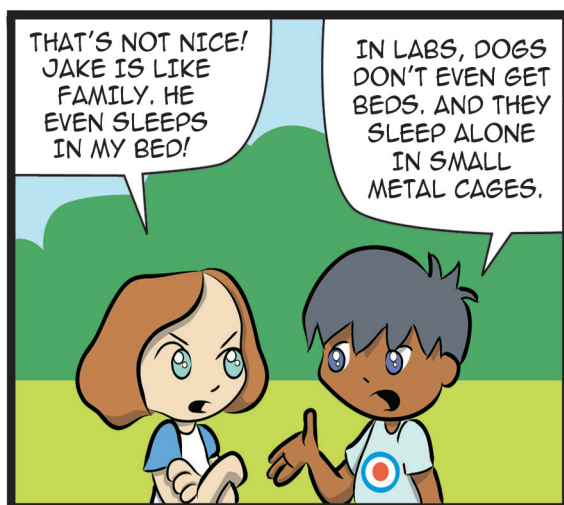
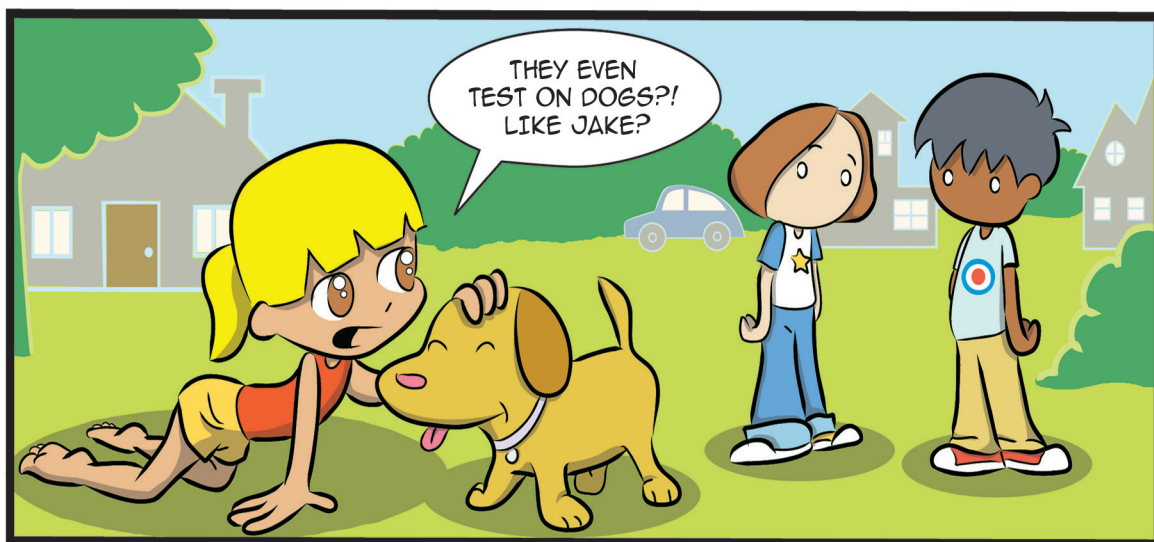
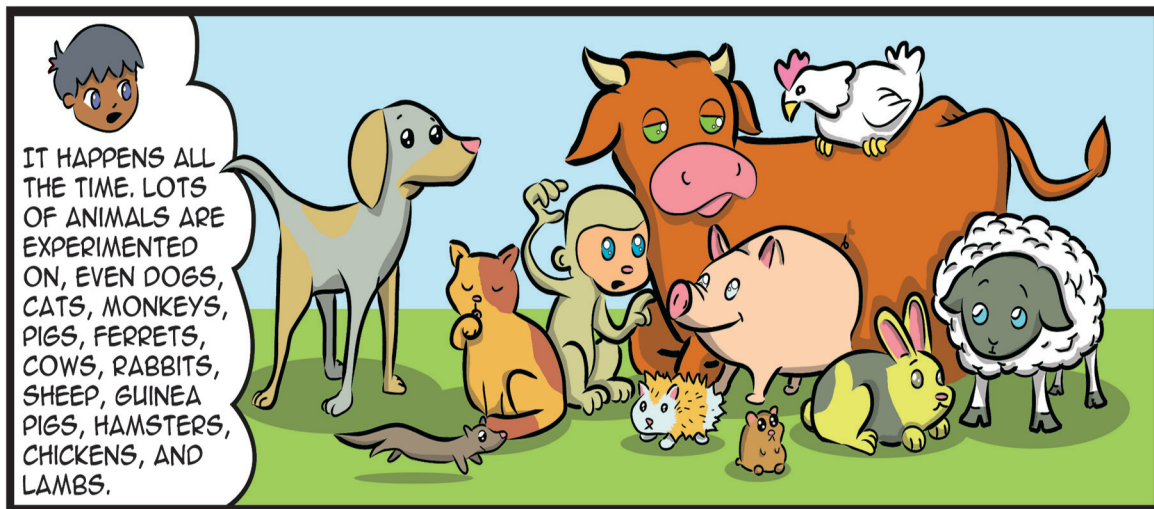
NO! I DON'T THINK PET STORES ARE GOOD PLACES. THE RATS ARE USUALLY KEPT IN SMALL, DIRTY CAGES AND GET VERY BORED BECAUSE THEY CAN'T EXPLORE OR DO OTHER THINGS THAT RATS NATURALLY LIKE TO DO. MY FATHER RESCUED HER.

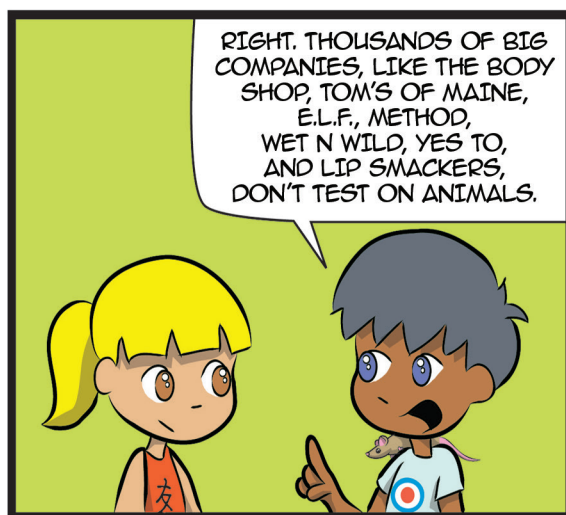
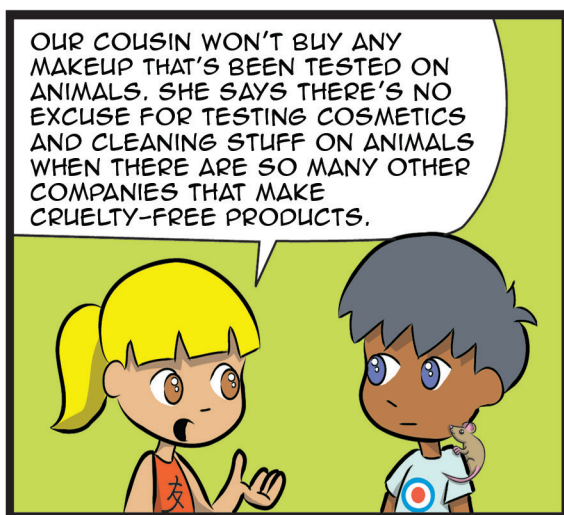
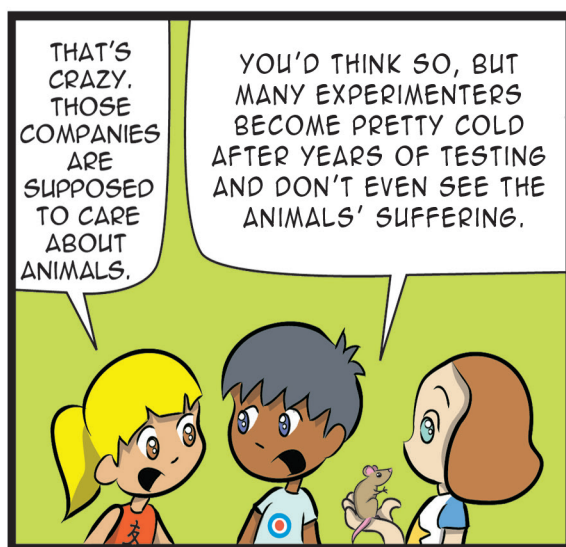
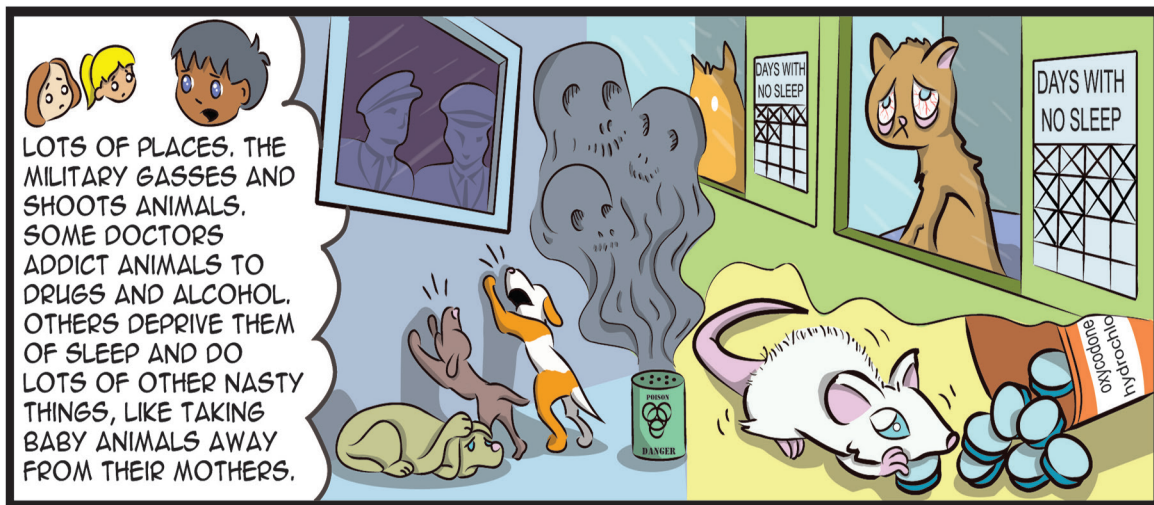


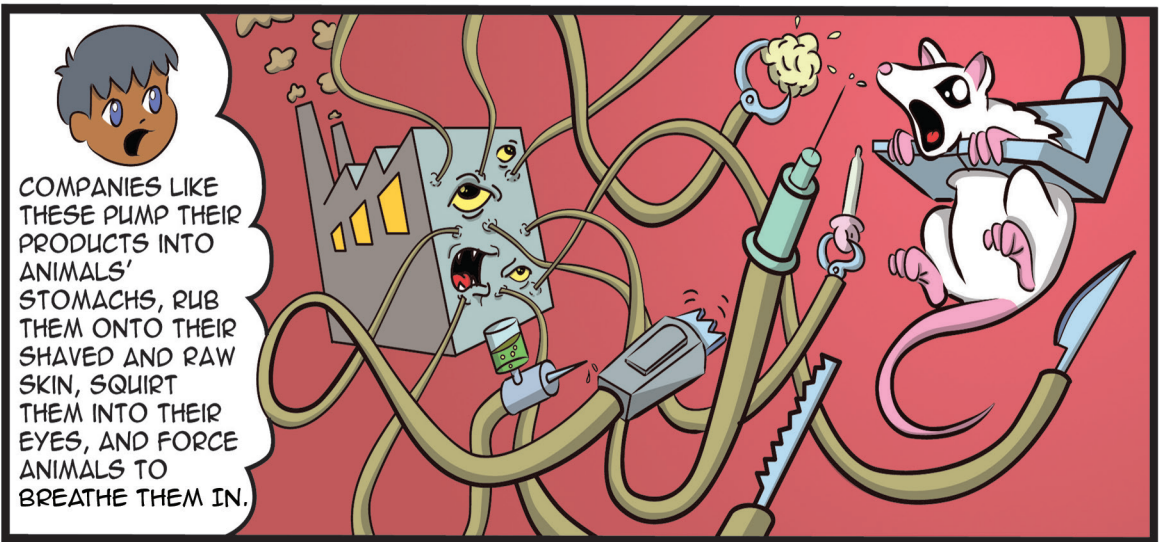
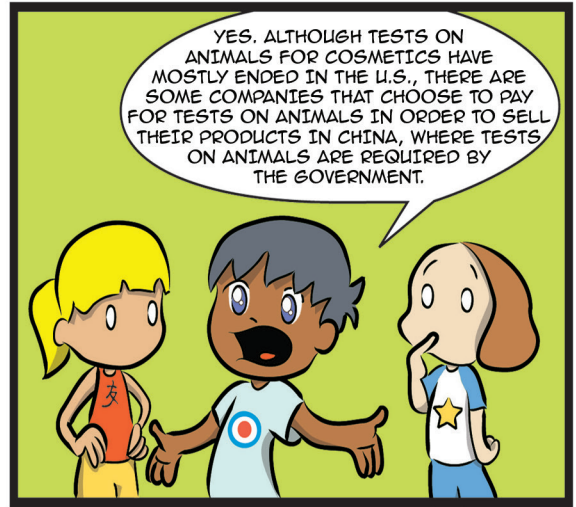
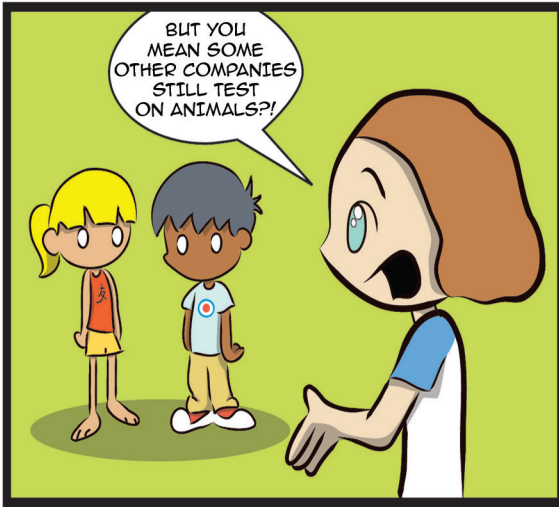
SUNSHINE AND THOUSANDS OF OTHER RATS AND MICE WERE USED IN A CRUEL TEST AT A COLLEGE IN NORTH CAROLINA. SHE DIDN'T HAVE A NAME THERE, JUST A NUMBER.

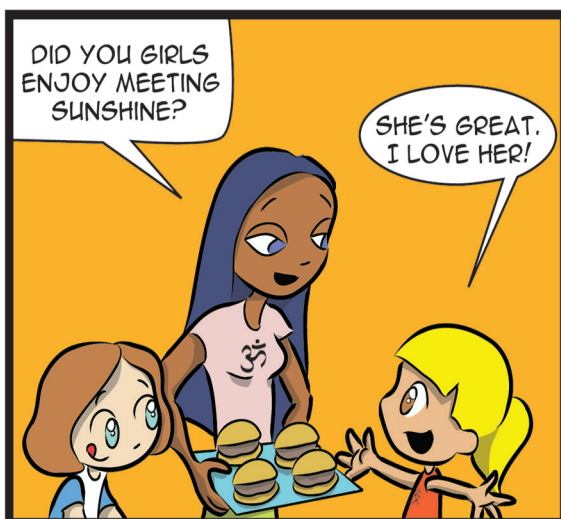
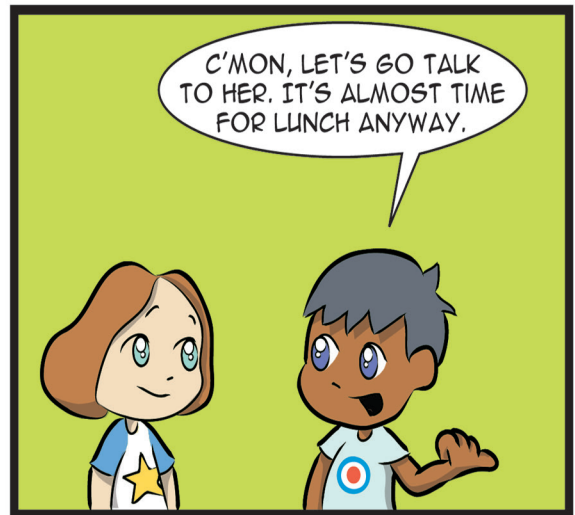
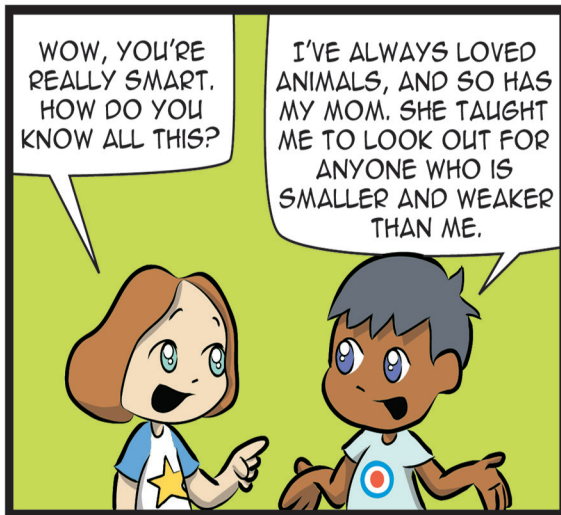


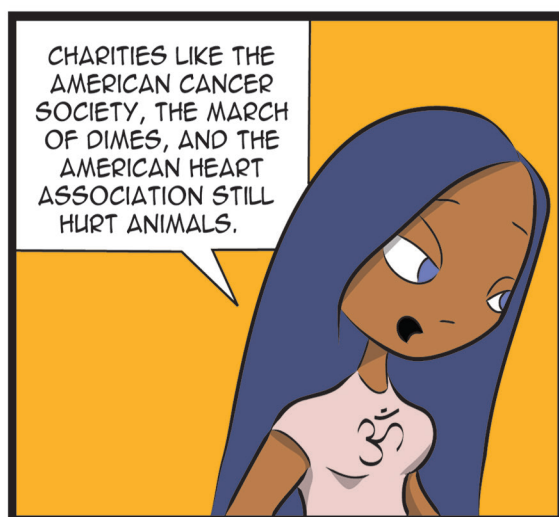
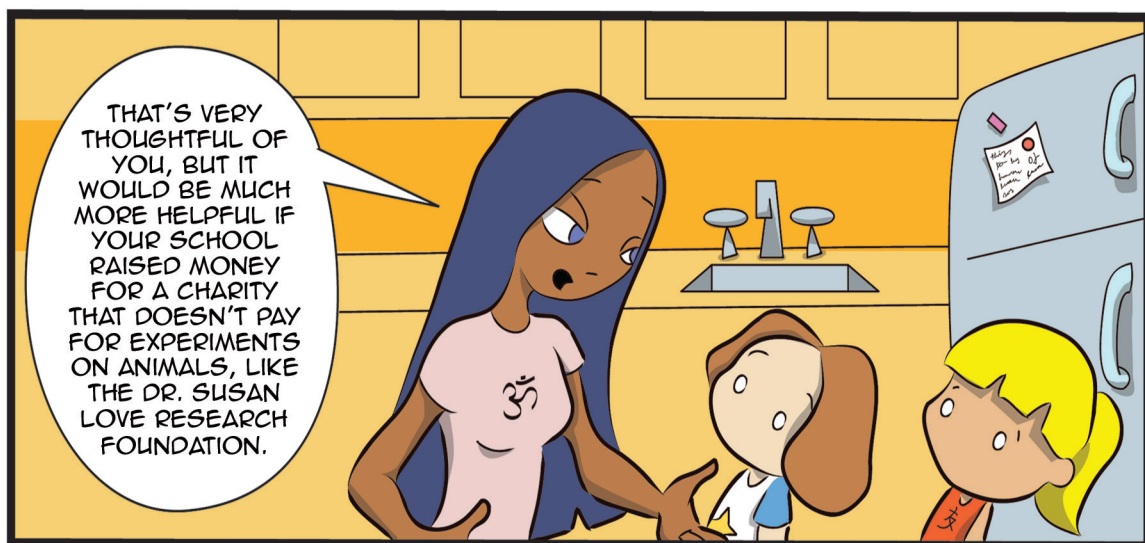
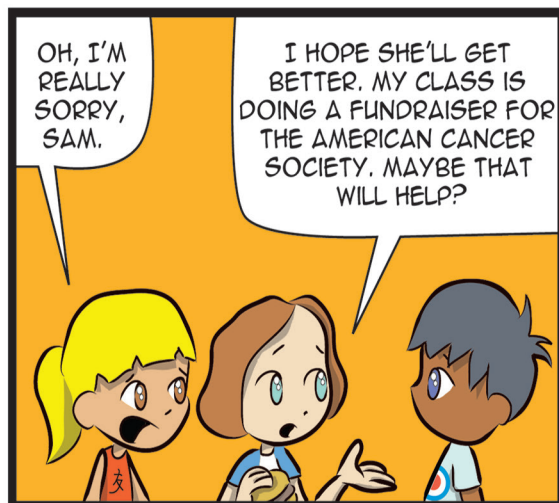
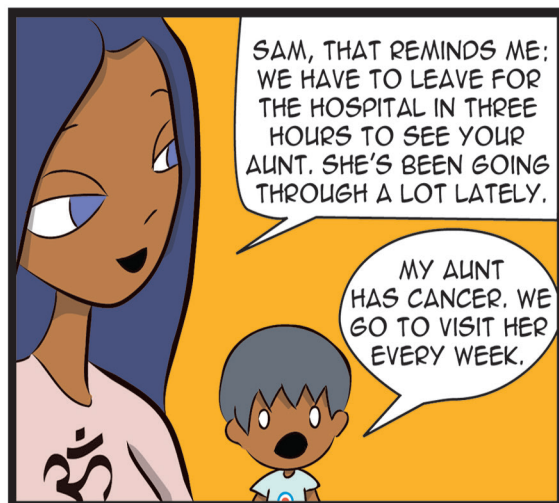












ANIMAL EXPERIMENTS REALLY WON'T HELP SAVE ANYONE'S LIFE. IN FACT, A LOT OF ANIMALS WILL SUFFER AND DIE FOR NOTHING. ANIMAL TESTING JUST USES MONEY THAT COULD BE SPENT HELPING PEOPLE, NOT HURTING ANIMALS.

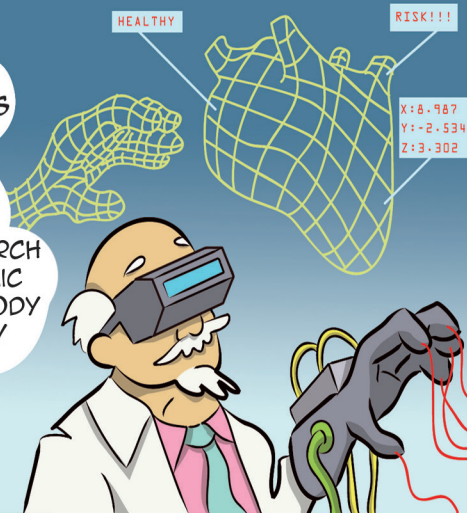


SMART CHARITIES FOCUS ON PREVENTION AND DIRECT CARE. AND THEY USE MODERN RESEARCH METHODS LIKE OBSERVING PEOPLE, USING COMPUTER MODELS, CONDUCTING AUTOPSIES, AND STUDYING HUMAN CELL AND TISSUE SAMPLES.

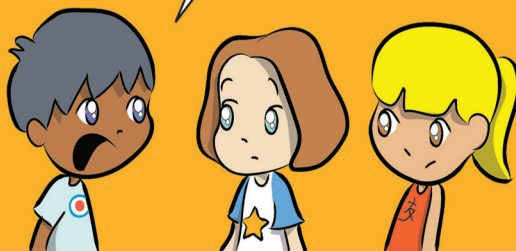


DO THEY REALLY WORK?

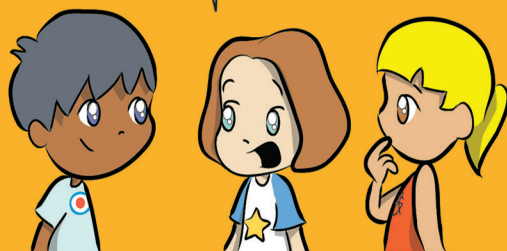
YES, THEY ARE FASTER, MORE RELIABLE, AND LESS EXPENSIVE THAN ANIMAL TESTS. NOWADAYS, THERE IS A WIDE VARIETY OF HUMANE RESEARCH METHODS THAT MIMIC HOW THE HUMAN BODY WORKS. IN THIS DAY AND AGE, THERE'S JUST NO REASON TO EXPERIMENT ON ANIMALS.

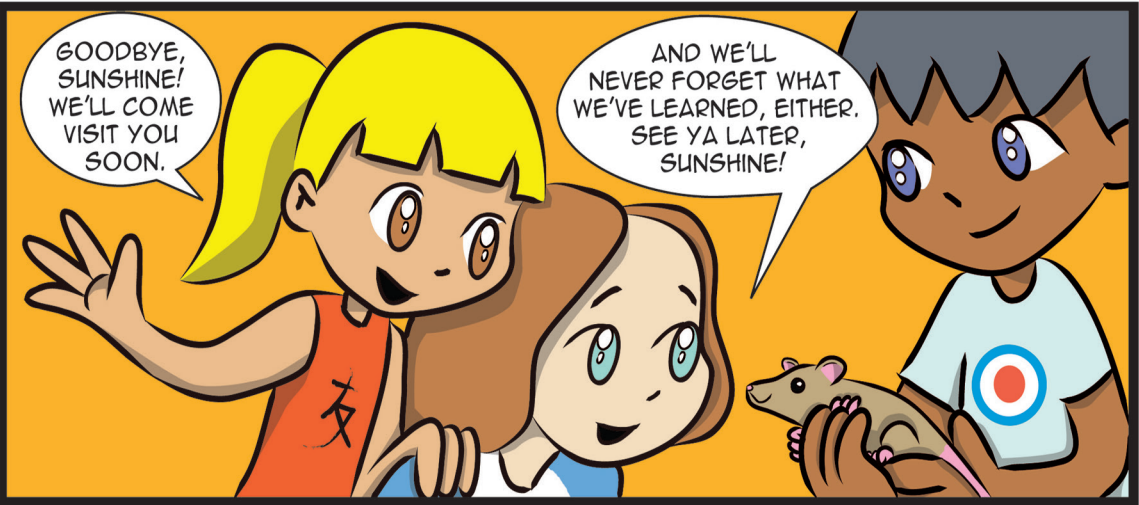
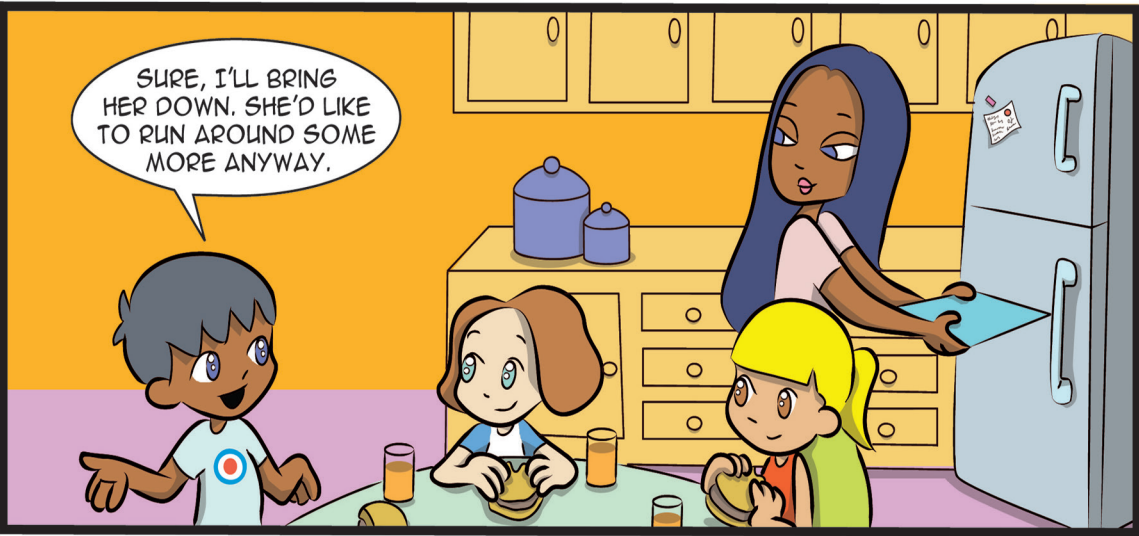
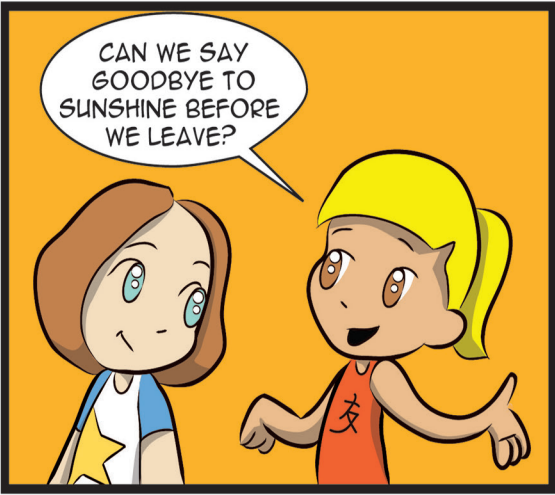


MY MOM'S RIGHT. BESIDES, IT'S WRONG TO INFECT ANIMALS WITH DISEASES THAT THEY WOULDN'T NORMALLY GET. HOW COULD WE LOOK SUNSHINE IN THE EYE IF WE HELPED CAUSE ANIMALS LIKE HER TO SUFFER?



YOU'RE RIGHT. I'M GOING TO TALK TO MY TEACHER AND MY CLASSMATES AND TELL THEM THAT WE SHOULD DO A FUNDRAISER FOR A CRUELTY-FREE CHARITY INSTEAD.

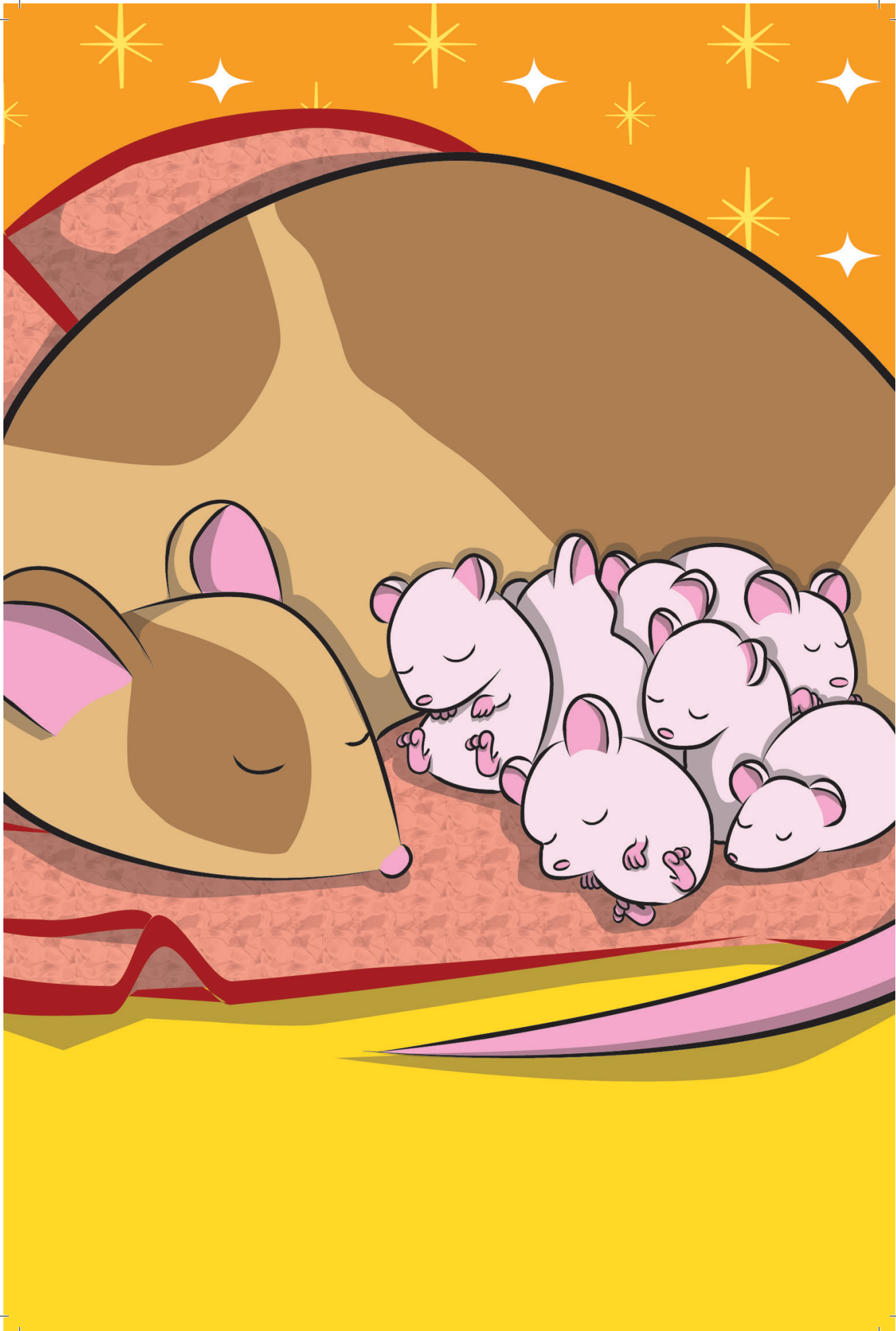




INSTRUCTIONS: RATS BELONG IN THE WILD, NOT IN A LAB.
SHOW THAT YOU CARE ABOUT THEM BY COLORING IN THIS PICTURE
OF RATS IN THEIR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT!



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