

Bonnie is a Guide Dog for the blind and was bred and trained to do her job.

She spends 24 hours a day supporting her owner, who has been completely blind since birth.





She accompanies her owner whenever he goes outside and acts as his 'eyes' to keep him from danger.

Discuss with your group whether you think Bonnie should be used in this way. Consider the following:

- She didn't have a choice in whether she became a Guide Dog
- She puts herself in danger by helping her owner across roads etc.
- She doesn't have the life of a pet dog
- She lives in a warm, safe home with good food, proper vet care and she's loved by her owner
- She does get taken for proper walks during her time off with other members of the family



Max is an army sniffer dog, specially trained to sniff out explosives in war zones.

> He accompanies his handler all over the world to various war-torn countries and saves lives by identifying explosives before they can detonate and kill or injure people.





Discuss with your group whether you think Max should be used in this way. Consider the following:

- Max didn't have a choice in whether he became a sniffer dog
- He puts himself in danger every day in order to protect people
- He doesn't have the comfortable life of a pet dog
- He loves his handler and enjoys being part of the team with human friends
- He enjoys his work as a sniffer dog, as he's rewarded for everything he does with playtime and toys
- He saves human lives every day by doing his job



Solomon is a horse who works as part of the mounted force in London.

He's been trained to be able to stand her ground in dangerous situations in crowds of people, such as in riots or at football matches.





He's really important to the safety of his fellow police officers.

Discuss with your group whether you think Solomon should be used in this way. Consider the following:

- Solomon didn't have a choice in whether he became a police horse or not
- He puts himself in danger every day in order to do his duty
- Although he stands his ground in dangerous situations, he is at risk of being injured himself
- When not on duty, he gets the best care a horse can have
- He protects his fellow police officers in dangerous situations