

Animal Welfare Science, Ethics and Law

- Welfare **science** measures the effect on animals of different situations and environments, from the animal's point of view
- Welfare **ethics** concerns how humans should treat animals
- Welfare **law** concerns how humans must treat animals

People before animals: Great Chain of Being?



- Is there a sliding scale of moral concern for different species?
- Place on scale depends on mental complexity
- May justify putting all people before all animals?

Spectrum of animal use

