

A compilation of online resources recommended for Philosophy for Children (P4C)
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# Pictures and videos



# • Argentina beach dolphin selfies - BBC News Article

An article showing people taking selfies with endangered dolphins on a beach. Although there is some dispute, it is believed that the dolphin was taken from the water and passed around for selfies, being out of the water so long that it dehydrated and died. Should we afford animals more respect than this?



#### Bike Theft

A video showing a social experiment whereby 3 people try to steal a bike in the open. First, a white teenager. Then a black teenage. Finally, a young blonde girl. Raises issues of discrimination, prejudice and making assumptions.



### Can you keep up?

A series of three videos showing how quickly the human brain can process visual information. The videos flash readable text progressively faster and despite what you might think, you are still able to read it. You go beyond what you think you are capable of. Could you always run just that little bit faster more you try? Or write more neatly the more you practice? Or is there a point at which you can't do any better? Do you think you could be good at anything if you give it a go?



# **CCTV BBC News and Privacy**

A video exploring the CCTV revolution and the benefits and concerns that go along with it. A good stimuli for questions surrounding privacy, role of government and control. This stimuli can be used with a spoof letter suggesting CTTV camera in school, found at <a href="mailto:sapere.org.uk">sapere.org.uk</a> resources > CCTV Spoof Letter



#### Child Labour video

The video explores child labour through the experience of a young Cambodian girl. See how debt, poverty and family responsibility force her to work instead of go to school. Themes: Poverty, exploitation, family



# • Dove - Artificial Beauty Time Lapse

Timelapse beginning with unedited footage of a model to edited version on a billboard. What is beauty? What is the relationship between beauty and truth today? Enquiry plan available: <a href="mailto:sapere.org.uk">sapere.org.uk</a> > resources > 'Dove: Artificial Beauty - Enquiry Plan'



## Elephant Art

A clip of elephants painting. Is it art or not? What constitutes art? A great concept to be stretched: Do these organisations really help elephant conservation?



## George and the Dragon Picture

Pictures showing a scene the story of Saint George: George's defeat of the dragon that had been terrorizing a city. What does it mean to be brave?



#### The Gorilla Foundation

This website is full of stimuli - news reports, videos, pictures. The Gorilla Foundation is home to Koko, a gorilla taught to use sign language by its keepers. There are pictures of Koko dressing up for a birthday party - is this fun or potentially demeaning? Is this just another case of using animals for experiments?

This website can be used in conjunction with Anthony Browne's 'Little Beauty'.



## Harry Potter Philosopher's Stone

Clip of Harry's First Quidditch Match, from Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by J K Rowling. Would you rather: live for ever; turn metal into gold; always make the best decisions?



#### • La Tamborrada

La Tamborrada is a festival held in San Sebastian in Spain on January 20th. Legend has it that a baker was collecting water from the local well when a group of girls began banging on his barrels to entertain him. This quickly attracted others and the ensuing party started the tradition. The festival now starts at midnight, with huge numbers of drummers trying to wake the towns eponymous saint who will continue to bless the town with water. What part does music play in our many and varied celebrations? If you could have a school 'patron saint', who would it be and what would you have them symbolise? Do such celebrations, of people who have died, mean that they live on?



#### Macbeth Animation

An 8 minute animation of Macbeth.

Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UkBp-2fAbiU&feature=youtu.be



#### The 3 Robbers

An animation of Tomi Ungerer's 'The Three Robbers'. A story in which three ferocious thieves are defeated by the guileless logic of an innocent girl.



#### Touching the Void Trailer

The closer you are to death, the more you realise you are alive. The closer you are to death, the harder you cling to life. Simpson's survival is widely regarded by mountaineers as amongst the most amazing pieces of mountaineering lore. Concepts: trust, achievement, goals, endeavour



## 'We are going to die' - Richard Dawkins

Video based on a quote from 'Unweaving the Rainbow: Science, Delusion and the Appetite for Wonder': "We are going to die, and that makes us the lucky ones".



#### What's the big idea?: Clever

This episode deals with a concept that is very much in the children's domain - clever. Children are told they're clever for eating their food with a spoon for the first time, for beginning to walk or for singing a song. It's also one of those really interesting concepts that we often use but rarely examine. The questions throughout this episode help us think about it more, such as 'but can I be clever even if I don't know lots of things?' This stimuli can be used effectively in all key stages.



#### What did democracy really mean in Athens?

An animation that explains how democracy really worked in Athens in ancient times. There are a few surprising facts and a question at the end that is as relevant now as it was then.



#### Where the Wild Things Are

A video adaptation of 'Where the Wild Things Are



# World Changing Campaign

Video of Ed Burtingsky's photographs of the effect on the planet of 'progress'. Link: <a href="http://www.artworksforchange.org/portfolio/edward-burtynsky/">http://www.artworksforchange.org/portfolio/edward-burtynsky/</a>

# Music



'Took the Children Away' - Australian Protest Song

Archie Roach, an Australian singer, songwriter and guitarist, survived a turbulent upbringing... at an early age, Roach and his sisters, along with the other Indigenous Australian children of the stolen generations, were forcibly removed from their family by Australian government agencies, and placed in an orphanage. This song tells his story and therefore includes themes such as: oppression, racism, imperialism, human rights, parenting, Aborigines.



You got a friend in me - Intro song to Toy Story

The introductory song to Toy Story shows a rather one sided-relationship - or is it?



'You've got to pick a pocket or two' from Oliver!

A scene from the film Oliver! depicting Fagan and the Artful Dodger encouraging Oliver to pick pockets.

Themes: Poverty, theft, resilience.

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