**Thesis statement:**

**As our society and economy continue to develop, we are constantly exploiting the land left to us by nature, and therefore the area left for natural animals is gradually becoming smaller. We started using zoos to keep animals, but such behavior has a bad effect on animals as well as humans, and animals should not be kept in zoos.**

**Supporting Paragraph**

**1.**

**Topic sentence:**

**For most animals, normal zoos can not bear such a large cost of animals, and many animals are abused in the zoo.**

**Evidence:**

**In fact, animals in zoos spend a lot of money on food, not only because they eat a lot, but also probably because they are very picky eaters. So when it comes to zoos when there is a shortage of funds or food shortage, there will be cases of animal abuse.**

**Example：Located in a zoo in Nigeria, Africa, the animals were only trapped in cages to die because they were left unattended and fed, and the lions were skinny and skinny. Some animals have starved to death, and the remaining 47 animals are also on the verge of death.**

**2.**

**Topic sentence:**

**For humans, animals in the zoo is not absolutely safe, they may also harm humans.**

**Evidence:**

**Because in fact zoos can not provide enough space for animals to move freely, most of the animals in the zoo will suffer from mental health disorders, coupled with the lack of safety awareness of many people will make some transgressions against animals in the zoo, so we also often see in the news that there are incidents of animals injuring people.**

**Example：On the afternoon of July 23, 2016, two female tourists on a self-drive tour were attacked by a tiger in the Badaling Wildlife Park in Yanqing, Beijing, after they got out of the car privately in the fierce animal area, resulting in a tragic accident that killed one and injured another.**

**3.**

**Topic sentence:**

**For the ecological environment, it is also bad to keep animals in zoos.**

**Evidence:**

**There exists various food chain in the natural environment, which combine together as a relatively complete food web, while this is almost impossible for animals in zoos, which will lead to weak self-regulation ability of this ecosystem. What’s more, replacing natural selection with artificial selection can easily lead to abnormal development of the offspring of wild animals, which would also defeat the original purpose of protecting endangered animals.**

**Example: According to statistics about Southern China Tiger in zoos, the rate of congenital disability keeps increasing with the reproduction of these captive ones, which increases over three times from the first generation to the fourth.**

**Conclusion:**

**The existence of zoos is good in the original intention of protecting animals, but due to the existing conditions, keeping animals in zoos can have a bad impact on all aspects. In the long run, if animals grow up in zoos,** **it will also lead to the disruption of ecological balance and natural selection. Therefore, the best way to let animals live in nature!**

**Refutation paragraph:**

**Signaling：Some people believe that keeping animals in zoos can better protect them and support their reproduction.**

**State：However, only raising animals in zoos, without fundamentally changing the status quo of human destruction of the environment and hunting of animals, is only treating the symptoms but not the root cause.**

**Support：According to surveys, human destruction of nature and the hunting of animals can lead to the extinction of tens of thousands of animals every year, many of which have disappeared before we recognize their value, which is far from being redeemed by raising animals in zoos.**

**Summarize：Just keeping animals in zoos cannot fundamentally solve the problem of endangered animals, and we should look for the key to the problem from the actions of humans themselves.**