

Critical-Thinking Questions

"Hunting a Killer"

1. Why does the U.S. have a bear-justice system? Do you think it helps bears and humans share space?
2. Why has the grizzly bear population in the U.S. decreased so much?
3. Why has the monkey population in Delhi increased? What options exist to curb their numbers? Why do some people reject these options?
4. Why do you think the poem on page 7 is called "A Minor Bird"? If applied to our relationship with grizzly bears, what does the poem's last line suggest?
5. Which text do you think presents the most hopeful outlook on humans and animals sharing the planet? Why?