WE ARE ALL ANIMALS

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ACT-1
Look at me, animals! I am a human being! I know everything!
Look, these are my eyes. I can see everything with them.
So what? We have eyes too. And we can see in the dark!
Fine, but look at my nose. I breathe through my nose.
So what? We also have noses and ours are prettier than yours!
And yes, my teeth. I use my teeth to chew and bite.
Teeth? Ha! Ha! Have you seen our teeth?
You can chew. But WE CAN BITE! Hiee...Hiee...Hiee...
Yes, but listen! I can hear a lot with my ears!
Little one! We can hear sounds which you cannot imagine at all!
And I can walk, run and even dance with my feet.
Oh! We have four feet! We can jump, we can dance and we can parade too!
I can plait my hair.
Uh! Our hair is pretty too.
We could plait it if we wanted to. Maybe!
Look! I can work with my hands!
Hands! Keep your hands to yourself!
ACT-2
Aha! I told you! I am the best! I know it all!
Really?

Have you seen our sharp claws?
Yes! But your nails will pick up dirt!
Now see, these are our lovely tails.
Tails! We gave them up long ago!
How else could we wear our shorts?
And we can roar!
Roar? Have you heard my mother!
So then! You are only animals - I know that!
Humans are animals too. We know that!
You may be right. Look at my brother! Mother says he is wild. He is definitely an animal.
Yes! And so are you! Believe us! We are all animals. We all belong here. Just like you.
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