

Workshop 7: Your Brain Exposed**Reading 1 Project: Super Mouse**
Lab Rats*Is animal testing good or bad?***Project:** Work with a partner. Give your opinion on the issue of animal testing.**Procedure**

- 1. Set up a chart.** Draw a line down the center of a piece of paper. On one side, write the word “Pros.” On the other side, write the word “Cons.”
- 2. Brainstorm ideas.** Review “Super Mouse” on page 164 of your *rBook*.
 - Think about how animal testing helps scientists learn about and treat human problems. Write ideas in the “Pros” column.
 - Think about the suffering animals may experience. In the “Cons” column, write why animal testing is not a good idea. Here is an example:

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal testing helps find cures for diseases. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animals must live in labs.

Work with your partner to list as many ideas as you can.

- 3. Write.** Which of your arguments do you think is the strongest? Write a position statement. For example:
 - “Animal testing (should/should not) continue because _____.”
 Then list at least two reasons.
- 4. Present your work.** Type your final draft on the computer. Share your paragraph with your class or group. Did other students have the same opinion?