

Are your opinions justified and informed by facts? Read the news article to understand the debate in order to inform your opinion.

Dilemma One: **Should fireworks be banned?**

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Fireworks are set off for many reasons. There are traditional occasions such as Diwali and Bonfire Night, but throughout the year fireworks are used for public celebrations and at home.

This year the British Veterinary Association has stated that it is worried about the number of fireworks that may be set off at home and how they will impact pets, livestock and wildlife. The flashes and loud bangs can upset and frighten animals, causing them to panic and run off. After parties, animals can even injure themselves on leftover firework pieces.

Fireworks also contribute to air pollution. However, fireworks are a traditional way to celebrate and are exciting to see. In these difficult times, they may help to lift spirits too.

What do you think?

What are the reasons to support this idea?	What are the reasons to be against this idea?
Are there any other facts that aren't given in the report, but that might help to inform your opinion?	
What is your reasoned and justified opinion?	
Now, discuss this dilemma with other people to find out different points of view.	