

What are human Beings?

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Human beings are social animals

This is the definition by the great ancient Greek philosopher Aristotle. But it is known today some animals are even more social beings as in many species of ants, bees and wasps and other insects and even fishes. Most mammals and birds are also social beings. Birds are not simply singing but announcing various kinds of information as alarming, courting or declaration.

Human beings are speaking animals

This is the definition from ancient times. But it is known today that many species of animals, birds and even fish and insects communicate each other by sounds, smells, actions, etc. For those keeping pets at home it will be evident.

Human beings are tool-makers

This definition was given by B. Franklin, scientist and one of the founding fathers of USA. This is no more accurate because it is known some anthropoids or even some birds make or use tools for getting foods, sleeping, fighting, etc.

Human beings are traders

This is probably a good definition for human beings even today. It is known that trading of various materials or products was widely made early in primitive ages of human history. Exchange of information or knowledge is even more significant and unique for human beings.

As definition of human beings, we can add the following.

Human beings are animals that care for the weak and build tombs for the dead.

When in the stages of human evolution did our ancestors become human beings?

Clearly Neanderthals were already human beings because we know they buried their dead members decorating with many kinds of flowers in the fields. Some fossils tell they raised and cared for their families with disadvantages, diseases and other hardships.

How human are we today?