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Find all 10 errors! Correct them.

One World Trade Center was made to be the tallest building in New York city in 2012. It is a monument to help us remember those who lost there lives on september 11 2001. One World Trade Center stands 1,776 feet high in honnor of the year America claimed it's independence. People form all over the world visit the bilding every year







Same cat, different owner.

Adopt a rescue pet
[at caraphil.org](http://caraphil.org)





SMOKING CAUSES PREMATURE AGEING

Lose the smoke, keep the fire this World No Tobacco Day, 31st May



Actual Google search on 05/05/2013

women need to |



women need to be put in their place

women need to know their place

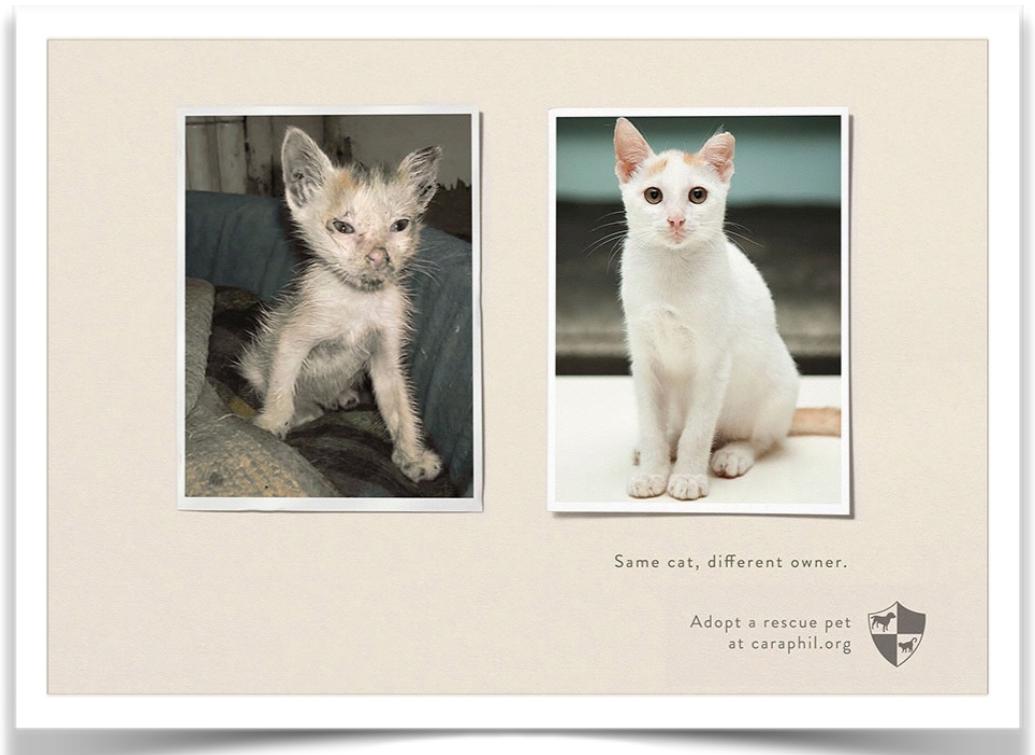
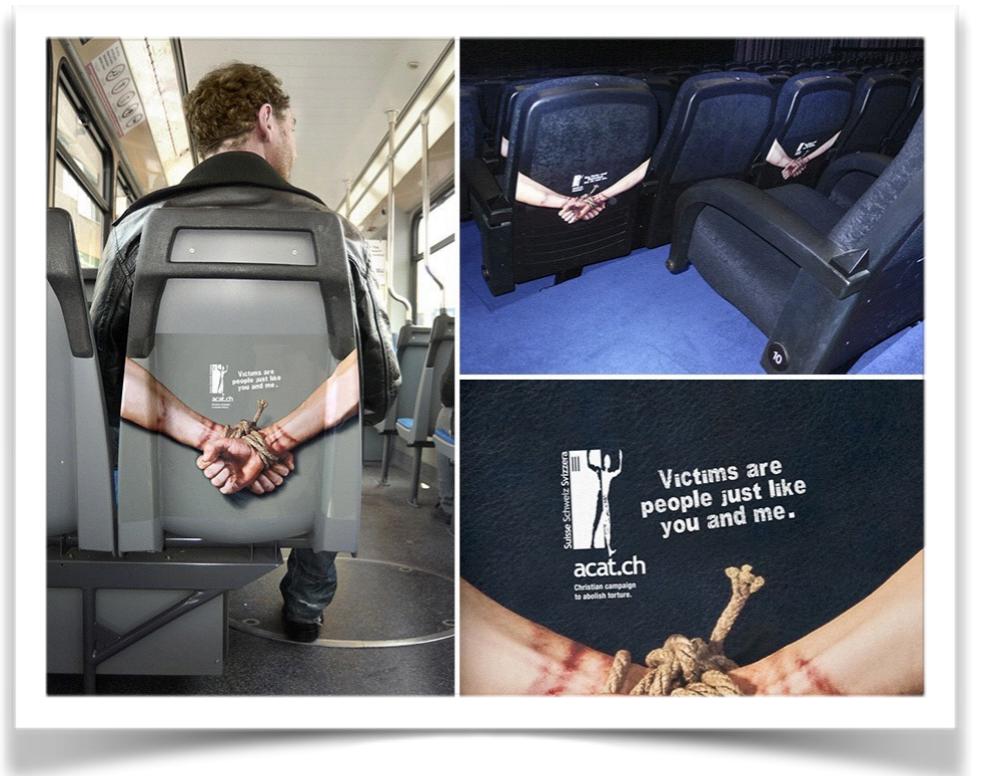
women need to be controlled

women need to be disciplined

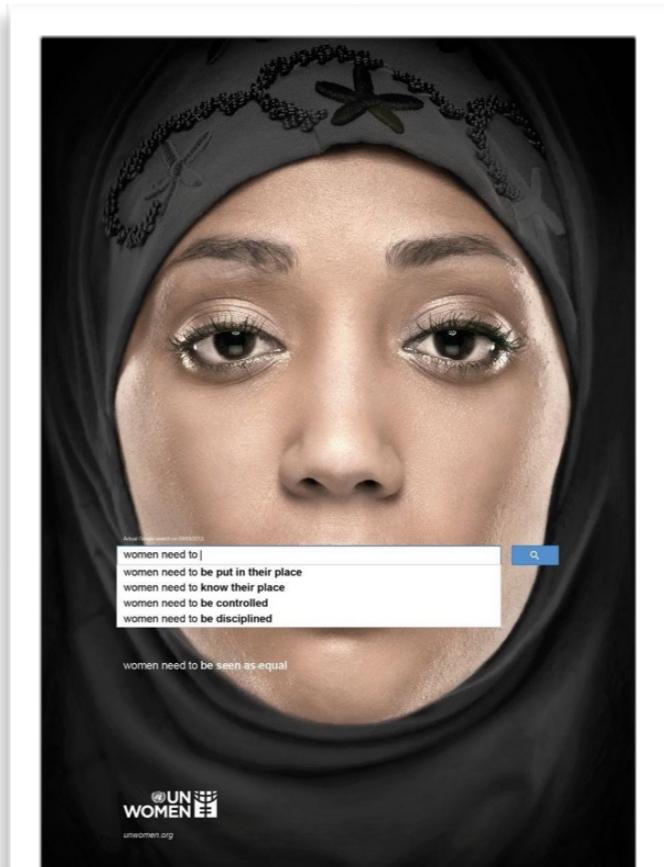
women need to be seen as equal



[unwoman.org](http://unwomen.org)



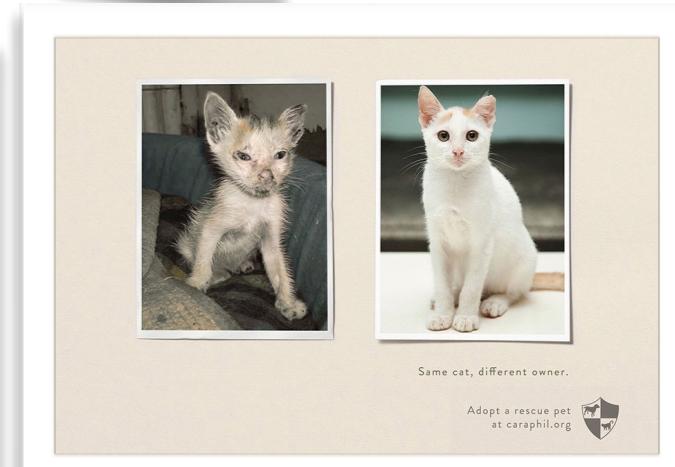
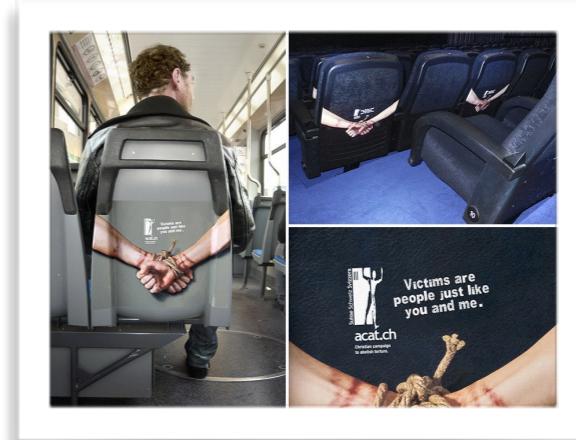
What are these ads doing?



Social Commentary

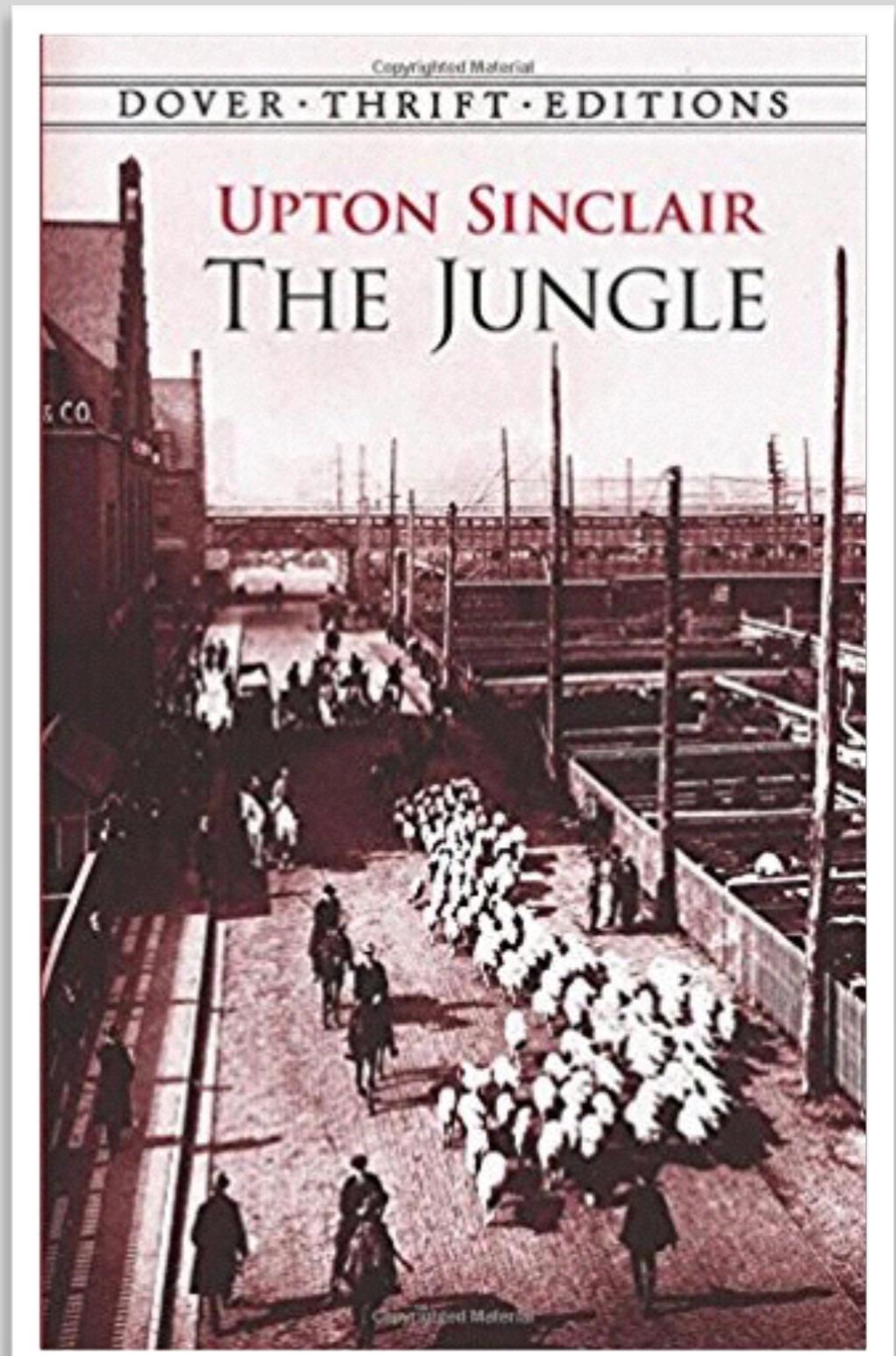
- * Social commentary is the act of using rhetorical strategies to provide commentary on issues in a society.

- * This is often done with the idea of implementing or promoting change by informing the general populace about a given problem and appealing to people's sense of justice.



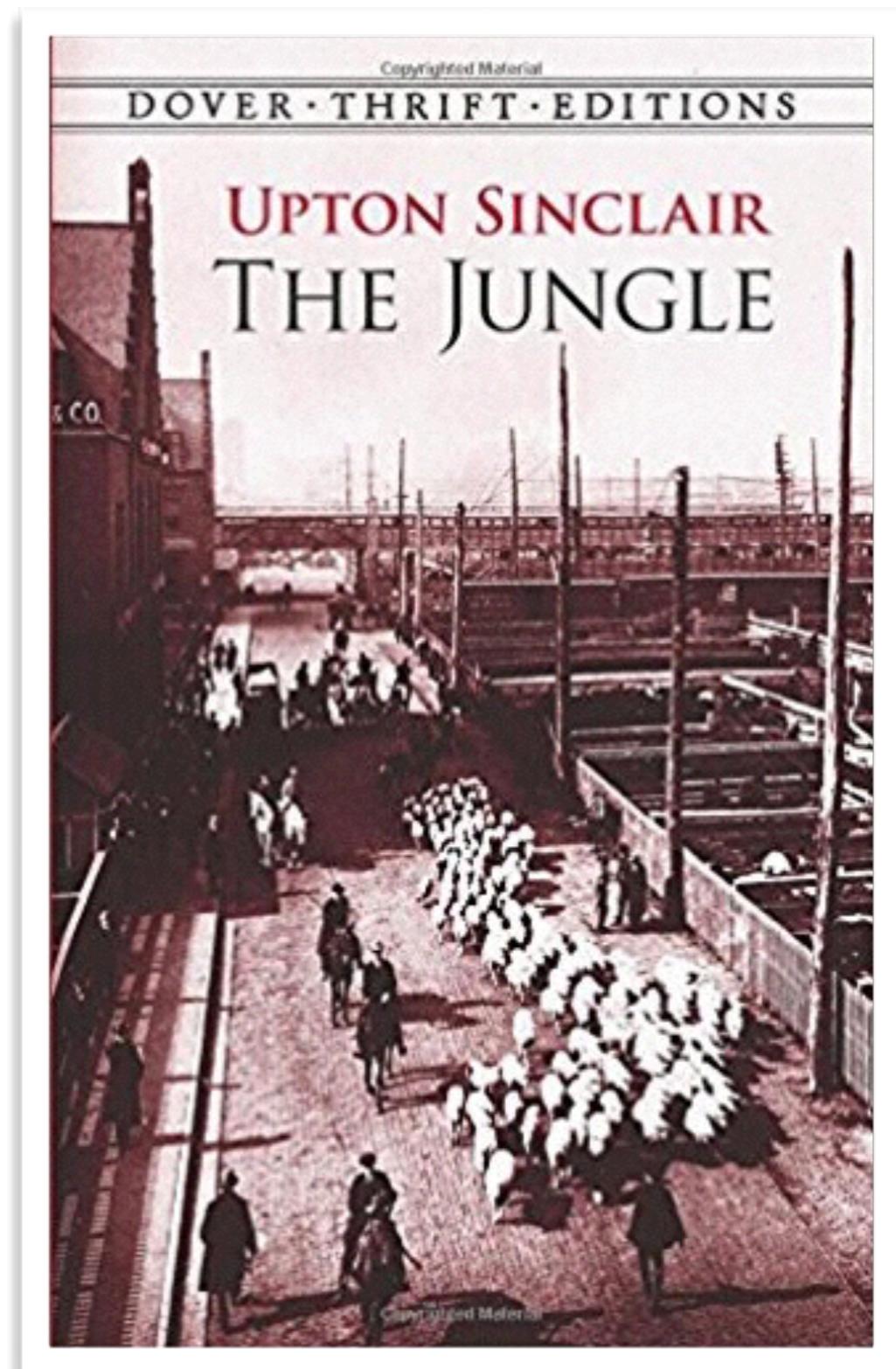
Where do we see this?

- * Social commentary is done EVERYWHERE.
- * Ads, articles, movies, books, short stories, poems, etc!
- * It's where someone uses art or print to get their point across.
- * In fiction, it's a little more subtle. Authors use characters and events to make this point.
What is the word for the message the author sends in fiction?



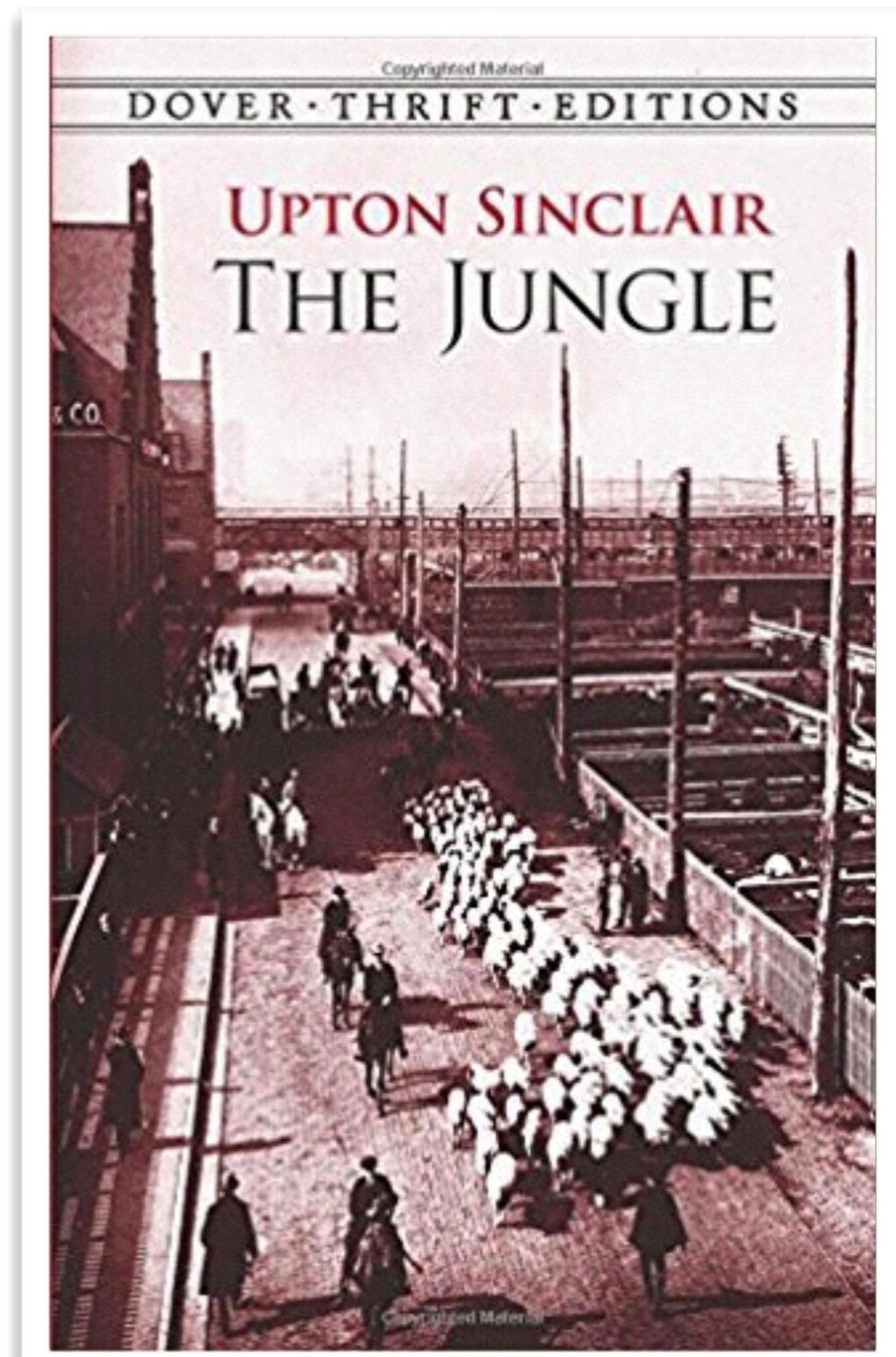
What is The Jungle?

The main character in the book is Jurgis Rudkus, a Lithuanian immigrant trying to make ends meet in Chicago. The book begins with his and Ona's wedding feast. He and his family live near the stockyards and meatpacking district, where many immigrants work who do not know much English. He takes a job at Brown's slaughterhouse. Rudkus had thought the US would offer more freedom, but he finds working conditions harsh. He and his young wife struggle to survive. They fall deeply into debt and are prey to con men. Hoping to buy a house, they exhaust their savings on the down-payment for a sub-standard slum house, which they cannot afford. The family is eventually evicted after their money is taken.



The Jungle cont.

- It's set in the early 20th century when many people were moving to America.
- He wrote it as a social commentary on the conditions for immigrants and those of the lower class in that time period.
- Upton Sinclair, the author, is considered a muckraker, which was a type of journalism that exposed corruption in business and government.



SNAP READ

- * We're going to snap read and stop and write as we read.
- * Split a sheet of paper with your neighbor because as we read, I will be pausing to ask you questions.
- * These will be graded!

Stop and Discuss

- * Don't write this one.
- * What does this paragraph already tell us? What is he criticizing here?



Stop and Write 1/2

- * **Summarize what we've read so far in 1-2 sentences.**
- * **Write what he is criticizing. Give me a piece of evidence from the text to support your answer.**



Stop and Write 3

- Look back at these first descriptions of Ona, Jurgis, and Elzbieta. What do you know about them so far? Support your answer with evidence from the text.





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SAMPLE A

Read the following sentences.

Sentence 1: The good news of the evening mitigated the morning's bad news just as anesthesia acts against pain.

Sentence 2: The lawyer's pleading did not mitigate the harsh sentence of the judge; indeed, the lawyer's pleading only exacerbated the extent of the punishment as if throwing fuel into fire.

Which explanation below shows the relationship between mitigate and exacerbate as they are used in the contexts above?

- A Mitigate is to listen as exacerbate is to hear.
- B Mitigate is to explain as exacerbate is to learn.
- C Mitigate is to oppose as exacerbate is to agree.
- D Mitigate is to soften as exacerbate is to intensify.

Review

- What is social commentary?
- Where do we see this?
- What was the commentary made in what we read yesterday? Give me a piece of evidence to prove this.



Stop and Write

- Look back at these first descriptions of Ona, Jurgis, and Elzbieta. What do you know about them so far? Support your answer with evidence from the text.



Stop and Write

- We just read 3 paragraphs about Jurgis.
- What have you learned about his personality? Try to think deeply.



Stop and Write

- What have we learned about their living conditions?



Questions

- * On the bottom of your stop and writes from today, answer the following questions.
- * You have to use text evidence in every answer.
- * Format it like this:
- * Sinclair writes, “.....” (Sinclair 1).



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- Determine the meaning of the following bolded word and write what clued you in to that meaning.

Wanda read the dictionary every night to **augment** her vocabulary.



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CLAIM

- * **The claim is where you ANSWER the question.**
- * **If it's asking you to take a stance, TAKE A STANCE.**
- * **Let's look at an example.**
 - * Towards the end of the chapter, the author spends some time describing the child, Antanas. What makes this child the "least unfortunate member of that family"?
 - * MY CLAIM: Although Antanas experiences illnesses and feelings of abandonment, the narrator describes him as the least unfortunate member of the family" because he is unaware of the realities his family must face every day.

Cite

- * Use a piece of evidence from the text or your research that PROVES your claim.
- * DO NOT USE A RANDOM QUOTE.
- * USE PROPER FORMATTING OR I WILL TAKE OFF POINTS.

* Cite: In The Jungle, Sinclair writes, "He was the child of his parents' youth and joy; he grew up like the conjurer's rosebush and all the world was his oyster."

clarify

- * Explain your quote and how it relates to your claim.
- * This can be one sentence or 4 depending on how much you need to explain in order to make your point.
- * Do not be redundant.
- * Earlier, the narrator pointed out the pain Antanas had endured at a young age. However, his physical pain is not equivalent to the pain his parents are experiencing as their pain is both physical and mental. He is fortunate because they have given up their hopes and dreams in order to hopefully provide him with a better future than they have.

Your turn!

- * Using #3 from your homework, write your own claim, cite, clarify.

Exit Ticket





Exit ticket



1. Your claim, cite, clarify that you just wrote.
2. What is social commentary?
3. Other than criticizing the meat industry, what is Sinclair criticizing in The Jungle? Use text evidence to support your answer!