

Dear Mr Zuckerman,

I am a resident of your barn and I am writing to urge you not to kill Wilbur, the pig, this Christmas time.

Firstly, have you ever thought about how the pig might feel about being treated in this way? In my opinion, pigs are living things with feelings, not just food for your table.

Additionally, the animals in the barn, myself included have grown very attached to Wilbur. For this reason, we cannot let you take him away and murder him without any consideration. It is unfair, inhuman and cruel.

Furthermore, you have allowed your niece to visit Wilbur regularly. Surely you can see how much she loves him? Without a doubt, you will break her heart if you carry out your plans. As you know, Fern finds it difficult to make friends. It is certain that she has formed a strong bond with Wilbur. Unless you let him stay, she will have no friends in this world. Do you really want to ruin her life?

You may believe that there is nothing special about that pig, however, you could not be more wrong. Wilbur is no ordinary pig. He can talk, we all can! He is such a kind-hearted but naïve pig and the news of his impending doom has affected him greatly. You must know this is true. Surely you have seen the evidence in those masterpieces—the spider webs announcing Wilbur to be 'some pig,' 'terrific' and 'amazing?' Anyone can see that this is not your average pig. Open your eyes and look at the evidence.

On the whole, you are making a big mistake. How would you feel if someone took away your life because they wanted a tasty dinner? If you think your temporary happiness at Christmas dinner is so important, stop and think about how your poor niece will feel. Do the right thing and spare Wilbur. I am sure that you will see sense, otherwise how will you sleep at night? Please consider our feelings and make the right choice,

Yours hopefully,

Charlette