





Mary Midgley - The Trouble With Human Beings

Mary Midgley (1919-2018) was a British philosopher known for her work on science, ethics, and animal rights. Midgley argued against any attempt to make science a substitute for the humanities, and wrote extensively about what she thought philosophers can learn from nature, particularly from animals.

"The trouble with human beings is not really that they love themselves too much; they ought to love themselves more.

The trouble is simply that they don't love——enough"

MARY MIDGLEY

Questions

- 1. What word is missing from the quote?
- 2. Do you agree with the statement in the quote?
- 3. Can you think of a current event or an event from your own life that corresponds with the quote? Does it relate to a tv show, a movie, a game or a book that you like?
- 4. Make up your own quote or saying. If you had one message to convey to the world, what would it be?