



## UNTAMED S2E12: After the Release

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### Discussion Questions

*These discussion questions are designed to be used as a resource that inspires conversation, critical thinking, and promotes a “big picture” understanding of topics covered in each episode. Questions may be answered individually, or out loud in a group setting. Key terms and vocabulary that will help educators and students engage in discussion include:*

***Wildlife rehabilitation, rehabilitator; “treat to release”; bird banding; radio transmitter***

*The following questions are best used when paired with a complete viewing of the full episode, and may be more suitable for advanced levels:*

1. Do you think it’s important to specify “release” when it comes to the goal of wildlife rehabilitation?
2. If improper rehabilitation techniques are used, how might those techniques negatively impact the ability for an animal to survive in the wild?
3. What are some of the ways rehabilitators and wildlife biologists can track rehabilitated patients after they’re back in the wild?
4. Think about the technological limitations of collecting data on rehabilitated wildlife patients after their release. Do you think advancements in technology will make collecting data easier? If so, how?
5. What can be learned from collecting data on rehabilitated wildlife, and who does it benefit?

*The following questions are best used when paired with a viewing of “After the Release: In (About) Two Minutes”, a synopsis of the major themes and key topics covered in the full episode, that may be more suitable for younger audiences:*

1. Why is it important to return animals back into the wild after they've recovered from their injuries?
2. What can we learn from studying animals that have been released?
3. Is it possible to track every patient after they've been released? Why or why not?