

1 Find and correct the eight mistakes in the text. There is one in each sentence.

Did you know there are currently around 26,500 extinct species? ¹ endangered. Animals like the black rhino, orangutan and some gorillas are on the edge of extinction as there are hardly any of them left. ² The polar bear and snow leopard, which are are poaching, may also soon no longer exist. ³ The jaguar and white rhino are verge threatened and often face potential danger too. ⁴ In all cases, these species face vulnerable populations for two main reasons. ⁵ Firstly, habitat declining because humans cut down the wilderness to sell the trees or clear the land for agriculture. ⁶ Secondly, extinct because hunters can make a lot of money selling the animals. ⁷ It's vital that we act soon to prevent any of these species becoming totally endangered. ⁸

2 Match the sentence beginnings (1–8) and endings (A–K). There are three extra endings.

- 1 While it may look like snow from a distance, it is in fact naturally D.
- 2 I believe that educating children about environmental issues is equally
- 3 It's very worrying that the glacier looks noticeably
- 4 Jodrell Bank Observatory in the UK was officially
- 5 The truth is, it's virtually
- 6 Joe Smith, whose name was randomly
- 7 The influence of young people in politics is rapidly
- 8 I believe David Attenborough is almost universally
- A recognized as an important environmental campaigner.
- B important as organizing environmental campaigns and protests.
- C impossible to find this writer because she lives in a very remote village.
- D occurring salt that you can see on these salt plains in Bolivia.
- E selected by a computer, will represent the school at next week's conference.
- F accepted as a UNESCO world heritage site in 2019.
- G selected by the principal because he's one of the top students.
- H different now compared to five years ago.
- I increasing, as shown by activists like Greta Thunberg.
- J different then as compared to now.
- K recognized as one of the worst politicians of all time.

3 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- 1 The number of black rhinos left in the world is alarmingly / strongly / intensely low.
- 2 Levels of CO2 gas have risen severely / considerably / highly in the last five years.

- 3 I'm afraid that this bird is dangerously / highly / strongly underweight and may not survive the night.
- 4 Unless the figures are incorrect, something here is intensely / drastically / considerably wrong.
- 5 It is exceptionally / severely / alarmingly difficult to convince every nation to work together on environmental issues.
- 6 Lisa Bloggs, who I dislike intensely / drastically / utterly, has published a new book which is actually very good.
- 7 Dogs can become considerably / strongly / seriously unwell if they eat chocolate.
- 8 We considerably / severely / strongly disagree with the latest plans for the expansion of the college.
- 9 I'm afraid the government's plan is intensely / utterly / strongly unrealistic because it cannot be implemented quickly.
- 10 Mr Smith, who is the school director, is alarmingly / utterly / highly unlikely to agree to that.

4 Complete the conversation with the words from the two boxes. You don't always need to use words from both boxes.

alarmingly cleaning declining noticeably
randomly severely worryingly

affect common different low populations
poaching selected up ~~vulnerable~~ wilderness

- Roy:** How was your trip to Costa Rica?
- Cassie:** Fantastic! I spent a month helping protect turtles which are very ¹ vulnerable. They are suffering from ² mainly because of ³ Many people used to eat turtles and their eggs, so their numbers became ⁴ However, now they are being protected, their numbers are on the rise again.
- Roy:** That's good to hear. Amazingly, I was ⁵ to join a team of volunteers from my neighbourhood. We spent two weeks working in the ⁶ investigating the local wildlife.
- Cassie:** Cool! Did you find anything interesting?
- Roy:** I saw a few different animals. What was ⁷ was that in the few scenic spots there, we found a lot of rubbish. So, we did some ⁸ and then it looked ⁹ I don't understand people who leave their litter behind. Don't they realise it can ¹⁰ the natural environment?

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- 2 edge verge
- 3 ~~poaching~~ vulnerable
- 4 verge near
- 5 ~~vulnerable~~ declining
- 6 declining loss
- 7 ~~wilderness~~ woodland
- 8 ~~extinct~~ poaching
- 9 endangered extinct

2

- 2 B
- 3 H
- 4 F
- 5 C
- 6 E
- 7 I
- 8 A

3

- 2 considerably
- 3 dangerously
- 4 drastically
- 5 exceptionally
- 6 intensely
- 7 seriously
- 8 strongly
- 9 utterly
- 10 highly

4

- 2 declining populations
- 3 poaching
- 4 alarmingly low
- 5 randomly selected
- 6 wilderness
- 7 worryingly common
- 8 cleaning up
- 9 noticeably different
- 10 severely affect