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The big question is: 'How can we be more environmentally-friendly?' Well, here are some useful tips.

Electricity

One of the biggest problems on the planet today is the growing need for energy. One of the most common forms of energy is electricity. The more we produce, the more pollution we create. My suggestion is to turn everything off in your house when you're not using it. This includes light bulbs, TVs and computers. Simple, but effective!

Food

Have you ever thought, 'Where does my food come from?' Well, the answer is... everywhere! Green beans from Egypt, coffee from South America, and maybe even apples come across the Pacific Ocean from New Zealand. This food travels with lots of different transport, which means lots of petrol and lots of pollution. So, why not eat food that is produced locally? It's fresh, it doesn't have to travel so far and it cuts down on your meal's carbon footprint.

Rubbish

'Reduce, Reuse and Recycle'. Every year we throw away millions of tons of waste – unwanted food, glass, plastic, cans, paper and cardboard. Most of this comes from natural resources that can't be replaced. Don't just throw rubbish away, see if you can use it again, or if not, recycle it.

Rainforests

Rainforests are some of the most valuable habitats on Earth, and about half of the world's species of animals and plants live in them. They're essential as these trees and plants provide us with oxygen. But every year a rainforest the size of Britain is destroyed. Everyone can help reduce this problem. The most effective ways include: planting more trees, buying eco-friendly paper, recycling anything that's made of paper and shopping smart. Buy food that doesn't have lots of packaging!

1 Read the article and decide if the sentences are true or false. Correct the false ones. 10 points

- a. Food grown abroad is polluted.

- b. Transporting food a long way causes pollution.

- c. Most of the materials we waste can be recycled.

- d. Rainforests are home to around 50% of the planet's species of animals and plants.

- e. Small areas of rainforests get destroyed each year.

2 Read the article again and answer the questions.

10 points

- a. Why is buying food from outside your own country bad for the environment?

- b. How much waste is thrown away each year?

- c. What can you do to reduce waste?

- d. Give one reason why we should save the rainforests.

- e. Give one solution that can help save the rainforests.

3 Choose the correct adjective and complete the article with the comparative form.

5 points

There's a new *greener* way of camping that's becoming popular. For those of you enjoy camping, but want the experience to be a bit ¹ _____ and ² _____ there's Glamping! It's glamorous camping in an eco-friendly way. Glamping is ³ _____ than normal camping because you don't need to bring your own tent or anything else to go inside. It's all set up for you when you arrive. You can also stay in ⁴ _____ parts of the world, like rainforests or conservation areas. A tepee or yurt style tent is one of the ⁵ _____ types of tent available, and you can have a range of eco-friendly home comforts, such as solar electricity and wood burning cookers.

1 A common B easy

2 A comfortable B uncomfortable

3 A bad B good

4 A remote B overpopulated

5 A polluted B common

4 Write present perfect questions using *ever*. Then answer them negatively using *never*.

10 points

a. your cousin Richard / learn / a martial art ?

b. your parents / go / to a musical festival ?

c. Francesca / go / skiing ?

d. Daniel and you / see / a shooting star ?

e. your car / break down ?

5 Rewrite the sentences using *as...as* and the words in brackets.

10 points

a. Plastic is less biodegradable than others materials, such as paper. (not)

Plastic _____

b. Maxine and Jamie planted the same number of seeds in their gardens. (many)

Maxine planted _____

c. The world's rainforests are smaller than they were. (big)

The world's rainforests _____

d. Petrol cars are less eco-friendly than electric cars. (not)

Petrol cars _____

e. Recycling is a much more effective way of helping the environment than other methods. (not)

Other methods of helping _____

6 Complete the text with the past simple or present perfect form of the verbs below.

10 points

be(x4) buy have help learn love play (x2)

I've been a professional guitar player in a rock band since 2010. I ¹ _____ how to play the guitar when I ² _____ 12 years old. My dad ³ _____ a guitar for my birthday but I ⁴ _____ always _____ music since I was a child. My band ⁵ _____ in many concerts and festivals all around the world. My favourite concert was when we ⁶ _____ on tour in Germany and we ⁷ _____ in front of a live audience of 16,000 people. It ⁸ _____ amazing! We ⁹ _____ always _____ a lots of fans, and that ¹⁰ _____ us a lot to go on with our music.

7 Complete the conversation with the indefinite pronouns.

5 points

Simona: Is *anyone* doing the sponsored swim next Tuesday?

Andrew: Yes, I am. I haven't done ¹ _____ like that before - I'm really excited.

Cory: Is ² _____ going to do it? What is it for?

Andrew: I'm not sure, but I think it's to help raise money for the local nature reserve.

Cory: I've always wanted to do ³ _____ to help the environment. I might sign up and take part.

Simona: You should - I am. ⁴ _____ is taking part from our school yet - it's a shame.

Andrew: I think everyone should, because all our daily activities and pollution affect wildlife. It's a good thing that our country has ⁵ _____ that helps protect animals.

Simona: You're right!

8 Read the definitions and write the home and furniture words.

10 points

- 1 A room with walls and roof made of glass
c. _____
- 2 Type of house built all on one level, without stairs
b. _____
- 3 A piece of furniture where you hang clothes
w. _____
- 4 Small, low table for putting magazines or cups on
c. _____ t. _____
- 5 Type of room to put the washing machine or freezer
u. _____ r. _____
- 6 House with no shared walls
d. _____ h. _____
- 7 Room with a desk, a computer and a bookcase
s. _____
- 8 Electrical appliance that keeps food cold
f. _____
- 9 Small building for keeping cars or vehicles in
g. _____
- 10 Space inside the entrance or front door of a house
h. _____

PART 3 WRITING

/30 points