

An endangered species is a type of animal that will probably become extinct. There are 3,079 animals and 2,655 plants that are endangered worldwide. Lots of countries have laws to protect endangered animals. Can you think of any endangered animals in Brunei?

A. Match the vocabulary to the correct meanings.

1.	Extinct		These animals are in danger, and might become extinct soon.
2.	Extinct in the wild		These animals have a very high risk of becoming extinct soon.
3.	Critically Endangered		All these animals are dead.
4.	Endangered		These animals might become extinct one day, but are okay right now.
5.	Vulnerable		There are some of these animals living in captivity (for example, in zoos) but none survive in the wild.

B. Read the passage and answer the questions.

Why are animals becoming endangered and extinct?

Many animals living on Earth today are endangered, which means they are at risk of becoming extinct on Earth. Endangered animals include tigers, rhinoceroses, orangutans, turtles, and many more. Their numbers have already been greatly reduced and only a few of them now live in the wild. The biggest threat to animals comes from humans. People are destroying animals' habitats, such as rainforests. They are using the trees to support our growing human population and replacing the rainforests with farmlands or human settlements (places to people to live or work). As human settlements take up more land, it leaves less room for wild animals, who may face a shortage of food or places to raise their young. This causes numbers to drop. Many wild animals are also hunted by humans, for example for their fur or horns. Others are killed by pollution and global warming, which changes the climate and affects animals' survival rates.

1. Name the four animals listed as endangered.

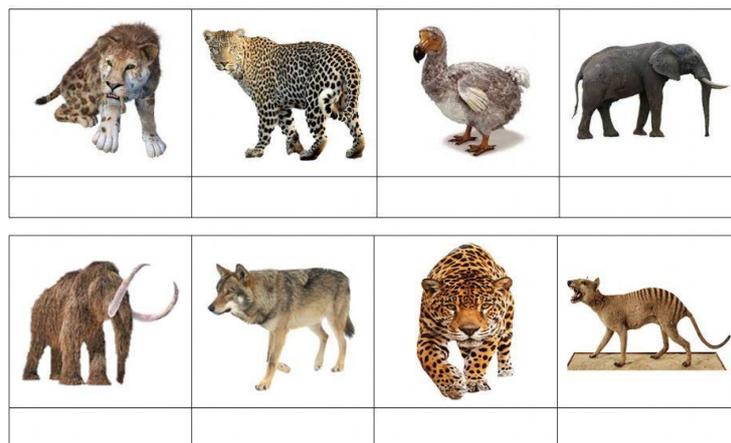
2. Why are humans destroying the rainforest?

3. What happens to the animals if people take up more land?

4. Why is global warming dangerous to animals?

5. Do you think humans are animals' worst enemy? Why?

C. Identify the animals by choosing their species correctly.



D. Classify the animals above into these two groups.

Endangered	Extinct

Name: _____

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