

PROBLEMS IN THE WORLD - PASSIVE VOICE PRESENT

Rewrite these sentences from the active to the passive. Use the prepositions in parentheses to indicate the cause.

1. Air pollution **threatens** the health of people in urban areas (by)

The health of people in urban areas _____ **by** air pollution.

Example: the health of people in urban areas **is threatened** by air pollution.

2. Oil spills harm birds, fish, and other marine animals (because of)

Birds, fish, and other marine animals _____ **because of** _____

3. The destruction of rainforests accelerates the extinction of plants and wildlife (by)
the extinction of plants and wildlife _____ **by** _____.

4. The Greenhouse Effect affects the earth's temperature. (by)
The earth's temperature _____

5. Harmful gases damage the ozone layer. (because of)
The ozone layer _____

6. Pollution from factories contaminates the air in urban areas. (as a result of)
The air in urban areas _____

7. Pollution from cars and trucks destroys our crops. (because of)
Our crops _____

8. Factories release dangerous chemicals (by)
Dangerous chemicals _____

9. Global warming threatens our forests and wildlife.(by)
Our forests and wildlife _____