

Topic vocabulary

A Complete using the words in the boxes.

climate • forecast • heatwave • lightning • shower • thunder

- 1 Have you heard what the weather is for tomorrow?
- 2 Britain is experiencing a at the moment. It's unusually hot and it hasn't rained for several weeks.
- 3 It's not going to rain much, but there might be the occasional
- 4 During the thunderstorm, the was so loud I hid under the bed!
- 5 hit a tree in the garden during the thunderstorm and a branch came off.
- 6 I wish I lived in a country with a warmer

insect • mammal • reptile • species • wildlife

- 7 I don't see a lot of because I live in a big city.
- 8 It's very unusual to see this of bird round here at this time of year.
- 9 If it's got six legs, it's probably a/an
- 10 Humans and monkeys are different types of
- 11 Snakes and lizards are different kinds of

B Write one word in each gap. The first letter is given to help you.

- 1 If we all **r**..... our paper, fewer trees would be cut down.
- 2 The castle is perfectly **p**....., so it's just like it was four hundred years ago.
- 3 If only we could go to the **c**..... to get some fresh air.
- 4 Many plants and animals are in danger of becoming **e**..... If they do, we'll never see them again.
- 5 Zoos give us the opportunity to see **w**..... animals up close.
- 6 The weather is quite **m**..... here, even in the winter. It rarely snows.
- 7 The **l**..... weather forecast is usually much more accurate than the national one.
- 8 I wish you wouldn't drop your **l**..... on the ground. Put it in the bin!
- 9 Scientists have **n**..... the new planet 'Sedna'.
- 10 Looking down at the Earth from space must be an **a**..... experience.
- 11 It's **f**..... in here! Let's put the heating on.
- 12 The wildlife park is **l**..... 15 km outside the town.
- 13 If you get lost in the desert, there will be no one around to **r**..... you!
- 14 Climate change is a **g**..... problem. Every country in the world is affected.

C Each of the words in bold is in the wrong sentence. Write the correct word.

- 1 The sun is at the centre of the solar **origin**.
- 2 The Earth is the **satellite** that we live on.
- 3 The moon goes round the Earth so it's a/an **planet**.
- 4 The **system** on the moon is very different to the one on Earth.
For example, there are no plants on the moon.
- 5 Scientists aren't sure of the **environment** of the moon, but they
think that maybe it was once part of the Earth.

Phrasal verbs

D Match to make sentences.

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| 1 They're going to blow | | A up a sign to tell people not to drop any litter. |
| 2 Let's clear | | B down and then I'll help you with the tent. |
| 3 I'm going to put | | C up the old bridge with dynamite. |
| 4 There was a sign saying 'Keep | | D up a lot round here over recent years. |
| 5 How long did it take to put | | E Out' on the gate. |
| 6 I'll just put this box | | F up this rubbish and put it in the bin. |
| 7 The traffic has built | | G out unless we put some more wood on. |
| 8 The fire will go | | H out the forest fire? |

Prepositional phrases

E Complete using the word given. Write between two and four words.



- 1 A beautiful golden eagle was sitting the tree. **top**
- 2 I could just see the top of the mountain **distance**
- 3 It will take an hour to pick up this rubbish. **most**
- 4 , there are over eighty different types of animal in
the zoo. **total**
- 5 , I didn't think I'd enjoy camping in the snow, but it was actually
great fun! **beginning**
- 6 There are lots of strange fish the sea. **bottom**

Word formation

F One of the words in each sentence is in the wrong form. Write the correct word.

- 1 This path looks a bit danger to me.
- 2 This submarine only goes to a deep of 500 metres.
- 3 Scientists worry about the destroying of the Amazonian rainforests.
- 4 Garden must be a very interesting hobby.
- 5 Air pollute is a serious problem, especially in cities.
- 6 What's it like living in centre London?
- 7 We should let animals live in their nature environment rather than keep them in zoos.
- 8 It's so fog that I can't see where I'm going.
- 9 What would you do if there was an invade of the Earth by aliens?
- 10 The island is almost completely circle.

Word patterns

G Write one word in each gap.

EarthWatch

the environmental organisation that cares

Are you worried (1) our planet?

We at *EarthWatch* care about the damage that's being done (2) our environment. We're aware (3) the problems that this damage will cause in the future, and we believe that we're extremely short (4) time. If we don't act soon, it will be too late!

There's been an increase (5) all kinds of pollution in the past hundred years. This pollution is destroying the ozone layer, and creating global warming. We've got to prevent people (6) polluting the planet further. It's not going to be easy to save the Earth (7) destruction, but we have to try.

If you're afraid (8) what might happen if we don't all change our ways, if you're serious (9) helping to save the world, if you're enthusiastic (10) fighting for the only planet we've got, then we want to hear from you!

Think (11) it! You can't escape (12) the facts. The Earth is in danger and it's going to take every single one of us to help save it. Join us today!