

Word Formation

1 Complete the table.

Verb	Noun
starve	1
2	destruction
contaminate	3
4	conservation
5	interference
refer	6



2 Now complete the sentences with some of the words from 1.

- Sadly, the politician made no _____ to our suggestions to save endangered species in his speech today.
- If companies _____ lakes or rivers, they should have to pay for the clean-up.
- We told the factory owner he was harming the environment and he said he didn't appreciate our _____ in his business.
- Some people in the world have very little food. If we don't do something soon, they will _____.
- The tsunami caused the _____ of buildings and killed many people.
- It's not dark. Turn out the light. We should _____ energy when we can.

Prepositions

3 Complete the sentences with *about* or *for*.

- Have you heard _____ the teenager in South Africa who created a website to help wild animals?
- People should be punished _____ throwing litter out of car windows.
- Who's to blame _____ all the e-waste in the world?
- We're meeting outside the factory today to protest _____ what they are doing to the local lake.
- Didn't anybody warn you _____ swimming in that river? It's polluted.
- I long _____ the days when there was no water or air pollution.
- How can anyone boast _____ killing a lion or a tiger?
- My son wants to apologise _____ starting the wildfire.

Phrasal Verbs

4 Circle the correct words to complete the sentences.

- I told you to **keep away** / **keep on** from that old factory ... it's dangerous.
- If we **cut off** / **cut down** the trees in the rainforest, where will all the animals live?
- They went for a walk in the national park and **ended up** / **used up** getting lost.
- There are laws about **burning down** / **knocking down** forests.
- Quick! Get some water so I can **put off** / **put out** this fire!
- Everyone really **threw themselves away** / **threw themselves into** the beach clean-up on Sunday.

5 Now match the phrasal verbs you didn't use in 4 with the meanings below and then write a sentence using each one in your notebook.

- _____ : stop the supply of something like water or electricity
- _____ : destroy something, by making it fall to the ground
- _____ : get rid of something, put something into the rubbish
- _____ : continue to do something
- _____ : delay doing something
- _____ : finish a supply of something