Essay practice

Many species of animals have become extinct in recent times.

What are the causes of this? What solutions can you suggest?

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Since the beginning of time, human beings have been exploiting nature in different ways. The advent of consumerism has intensified the damage to our species to the point of vanishing some wildlife, which is influenced by our lack of consciousness towards nature. A positive solution to this problematic could be a change in lifestyle 1) ..... reducing our consumption of unnecessary things.

2) ..... , there are multiple reasons for animals to become extinct. One and probably the most relevant is our inability to appreciate nature. This can be seen in our daily actions, 3) ..... , we buy a lot of plastic bottles which are then thrown to the oceans, and this immediately affects marine life. 4) ..... , deforestation is undoubtedly another important issue that jeopardizes animal life.
5) ..... we continue cutting down trees, animals will lose their habitats and as a result their population will be reduced. 6) ..... , illegal trade which in this context is the traffic of exotic animals should be banned. In Africa, rhinoceros are killed 7) ..... obtain some medicine products from their ivory horns, this is definitely inhumane and has nearly made this species disappear.

8) ....., there are several steps that can be taken into account in order to solve this problem. A change of consciousness is believed to be the main solution to every single negative situation in our lives. This reflects on every decision we make, including our lack of respect for nature. 9) ..... our best efforts, we need to recognize that more should be done and fast. 10) ..... that we reduce our consumption of plastic and switch it for biodegradable materials, we can help our oceans to be cleaner. 11)..... to this, were we to respect our forests and untapped areas instead of destroying them to obtain wood or to build urban zones, we could maintain a lot species habitats as well as improve our quality of air. Lastly, regarding the topic of illegal trading, a good suggestion is for governments to work together with the view of creating new laws that will severely punish the crime of trafficking animals.

12) ....., our lifestyle and unconscious decisions have taken its toll to our species. By changing our way of thinking and acting, we will definitely improve our behavior and at the same time take better steps to protect and save our wildlife.

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