

Unit 10: k11: **listen and fill in the blanks**

covering	caused	harming	pollution	destroyed
experience	in danger	areas	preserve	hunted for fur

In many parts of the United States, large **1**of land have been made into national parks to protect and **2**the natural beauty of the land. National parks usually contain a variety of scenic features, such as mountains, caves, lakes, rare animals and plants. Today, there are 52 national parks in the United States, **3**approximately 3 per cent of the total land area of the country. National parks are open to the public and have millions of visitors every year.

Many national parks, however, are **4**of being destroyed. Rare animals in national parks are killed or **5**, skin or other parts. Trees are cut down for wood. Large areas of national parks also have **6** of being on fire fires **7**by careless people. The increasing number of visitors is **8**the parks due to the **9**from their vehicles.

If these problems are not solved immediately, and if there is not enough money for the parks' staff and maintenance of their resources, many national parks will be completely **10**