Lesson 2: Animals in the UAE



Activity 2 Reading

Read the text. Complete the sentences



Animals of the UAE

There are many types of animals in the UAE, for example the Arabian oryx and the Arabian leopard. In the past, some of these animals were in danger because of hunting.

In 1977, Sheikh Zayed started a conservation programme in Al Ain to save the Arabian oryx. Oryx moved to Sir Baniyas Island and today around 700 oryx live there. Thanks to Sheikh Zayed's successful programme, the UAE now has the largest number of Arabian oryx in the world - more than 6200.

The Sheikh Muhammad Bin Zayed Arabian Oryx Reintroduction Programme

This programme started in 2007. They introduced 160 oryx to areas where oryx lived in the past. These areas are protected. Oryx can live there safely. There are protected areas all over the UAE. The Arabian oryx protected area in Abu Dhabi is the largest protected area in the UAE.



1) The two animals that the text mentions are _____

2) The animals were in danger because of _____

3) Sheikh Zayed started a programme to _____ the Arabian Oryx.

4) Today, _____ oryx live on Sir Baniyas Island.

5) The UAE has _____ oryx living in protected areas.

6) _____ has the largest protected area for Arabian Oryx.

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