ADVANCED VOCABULARY PRACTICE

Complete the letter by dragging the words from the word bank.

firmly	reversed	response	extinction
incorporated	posterity	deforestation	emulate

Dear Sir / Madam:

I am writing in _____ to the article about endangered species in the November issue of your magazine. I would like to point out that it is true that the expansion of cities and towns and _____ both lead to the destruction of habitats, which in turn leads to the _____ of species. However, in certain countries where habitats are intact, poaching is also a threat to the survival of many species.

First of all, it is important to realise that poaching is a question of supply and demand. Poachers hunt animals even within protected areas and subsequently sell the animals either alive to zoos or dead as animal products to interested buyers. From my point of view, trying to stop poachers is only looking at half the problem. The only way to solve the problem is to stop the demand for these animals. That would be dealing with it at its source.

However, taking legal measures against poachers and buyers is not enough. If this situation is to be _____ , people need to be made aware of how serious the problem is. I have three suggestions concerning this. Firstly, environmental studies should be _____ into school curriculums. In addition, campaigns drawing the attention of the public to the problem must be funded by governments. Last but not least, we should all set an example for others to _____by boycotting animal products, like ivory and animal skins, which are products of poaching.

In conclusion, I _____ believe that we must act promptly if we want to protect animal species for _____. We have not time to waste.

Yours faithfully,

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