THE FUTURE OF THE WORLD'S ENDANGERED SPECIES

- 1 An endangered species is a species that is at risk of becoming extinct. It might be at risk because its territory is threatened, or because there are very few mature individuals left.
- 2 The natural extinction rate would be 1–5 species per year. The current rate could be as high as 2,000 per year. There are at least 25,000 species in danger of extinction right now.
- 3 Every species plays a part in the global ecosystem. They also provide humans with food, medicines and materials for building and clothing. Moreover, they all have their own unique value and beauty.
- 4 Humans are to blame for the problem.

 Animal habitats are destroyed by pollution and climate change. Humans have also hunted or fished many animals so much that the populations cannot recover by reproduction.
- 5 If we don't want extinction to go on at its current rate, we need to support the organizations that are working to conserve endangered species and their natural habitats. We also need to stop buying products that damage the environment. This will help to preserve the diversity of life on our planet.

to (1-5). There are three choices you do not need.

Α	All species are important	-
В	No turning back	
C	Shocking statistics	
D	International agreements may help	
E	What makes a species endangered?	
F	Ways to help	
G	Funding for environmental projects	
Н	Harm caused by people	

