

Technical English III Test

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I. Vocabulary matching

Paragraph 1

1. creature	a. Getting worse and worse.
2. plant	b. A living (green) thing, like trees, herbs, grass, flowers, etc.
3. diversity	c. A group of living things that belong to the same group in nature and can have babies together.
4. species	d. An animal, but not a human.
5. depressing	e. The natural home or environment of an animal, fish or plant.
6. deteriorating	f. There being a lot of differences between things.
7. habitat	g. Very, very sad.

Paragraph 2

8. publish	h. A group / kind of people or things that are the same in many ways.
9. suffering	i. Of poorer quality than before.
10. worse	j. Any of the world's main areas of land (Europe, Asia, Africa, North and South America, Australia, Antarctica).
11. type	k. Print something in a book or journal or put it on the Internet.
12. mammal	l. Having pain or bad things in your life.
13. continent	m. Of a group of animals that are no longer living on Earth.
14. extinct	n. An animal with warm blood, a backbone, and hair or fur. It gives birth to live babies.

II. Synonym match: (The words on the left are from the news article.)

1	amazing
2	Loss
3	depressing
4	deteriorating
5	harming
6	painted
7	conservation
8	extinct
9	environmentalist
10	humans

a	died out
b	described
c	disappearance
d	people
e	worsening
f	nature-lover
g	extraordinary
h	protection
i	damaging
j	upsetting

III. GAP FILL

Listen, and write the correct words from the list on the right in the blanks' article of every paragraph.



Australia is home to some of the most amazing (1) and plant life in the world. It is famous for its diversity of species. However, scientists have just reported a "(2) " loss of biodiversity. The government has released its State of the Environment Report. It is (3) reading. The report reveals a serious decline in biodiversity, an increase in habitat (4) , and increasing levels of pollution. It concludes that the (5) of Australia's environment is "poor and deteriorating". Australia has been hit by (6) fires and floods in the past five years. These have killed many animals and caused the loss of (7) habitat. Climate change is also (8) Australia's ecosystems.

shocking
drought
loss
harming
creatures
natural
depressing
condition



Australia (9) its State of the Environment Report every five years. Each report has (10) a sadder picture. The Australian Conservation Foundation said Australia's natural environment is (11) because the government is not taking action. It said: "There's (12) in this report we don't know. This is the fourth...report and every (13) it has told us that the environment is getting worse and worse and worse because we're not taking the (14) of action we need." Australia has lost more mammal species than any other (15) . More than 100 Australian species are now extinct. An environmentalist said the report was, "a wake-up call to the damage (16) are doing to the world around us".

time
continent
painted
humans
publishes
nothing
type
suffering

IV. Multiple Choice Quiz

Write the letters "a", "b", "c" or "d" to answer the next questions:

1) Where does the article say is home to amazing plant life?
a) the Outback
b) the Great Barrier Leaf
c) the Blue Mountains
d) Australia

2) Is Australia famous for its diversity of species?
a) Yes, it does.
b) No, it doesn't.
c) Yes, it is.
d) No, it isn't.

3) What does the report say there are increasing levels of?
a) biodiversity
b) pollution
c) shocks
d) deterioration

4) What do scientists say Australia's environment is, besides deteriorating?
a) lovely
b) hot
c) cool
d) poor

5) Has the government released its State of the Environment Report?
a) Yes, it does.
b) No, it doesn't.
c) Yes, it has.
d) No, it hasn't.

6) When was Australia hit by droughts and floods?
a) in the 1900s
b) last week
c) in the past five years
d) on Tuesday afternoons

7) What does the article say is harming Australia's ecosystems?
a) mining
b) invasive species
c) the Internet
d) climate change

8) How often does Australia publish its environment report?
a) yearly
b) once every two years
c) every five years
d) every decade

9) Has each report painted a better picture?
a) Yes, it does.
b) No, it doesn't.
c) Yes, it has.
d) No, it hasn't.

10) How many environment reports have there been?
a) four
b) five
c) three
d) six

11) What does a conservation group say the government is not doing?
a) working
b) creating zoos
c) taking action
d) talking

12) Has Australia lost fewer mammal species than any other continent?
a) Yes, it does.
b) No, it doesn't.
c) Yes, it has.
d) No, it hasn't.

13) How many species of Australian mammals are now extinct?
a) 1,208
b) more than 100
c) thousands
d) dozens

14) Who did an environmentalist say is damaging the world around us?
a) humans
b) politicians
c) the government
d) loggers