

Technical English II Test

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I. Phrase matching

Paragraph 1

1. home to some amazing	a. depressing report
2. It's famous	b. of pollution
3. a shocking loss	c. for them
4. The government released a	d. habitat
5. It reveals a big decrease	e. creatures
6. higher levels	f. and floods
7. drought, fires	g. of biodiversity
8. the loss of natural	h. in biodiversity

Paragraph 2

9. Each report is sadder	i. suffering
10. the environment is	j. worse
11. the government is not	k. around us
12. the environment is getting	l. species
13. mammal	m. are doing
14. a wake	n. than the one before
15. the damage humans	o. up call
16. the world	p. taking action

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

- 1. home
- 2. biodiversity
- 3. decrease
- 4. pollution
- 5. animals
- 6. report
- 7. suffer
- 8. worse
- 9. extinct
- 10. humans

- a. reduce
- b. people
- c. announce
- d. bad
- e. contamination
- f. lost
- g. residence
- h. hurt
- i. beasts
- j. ecosystem

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 (1) [] creatures and plant life. It's famous for them. However, scientists have reported a (2) [] biodiversity. The government released a depressing report about the environment. It (3) [] decrease in biodiversity, an increase in habitat loss, and higher (4) [] It says Australia's environment is "poor and deteriorating". Australia has had drought, fires (5) [] These have killed many animals. They have caused the loss of natural habitat. Climate change (6) [] Australia's ecosystems.

- a) reveals a big
- b) to some amazing
- c) levels of pollution
- d) is also damaging
- e) shocking los of
- f) and floods recently



Australia publishes its environment report (7) []. Each report is sadder than the one before. An Australian conservation group said the environment is suffering because the government is (8) []. It said: "This is the fourth...report and every time it tells us that the environment is getting (9) [] and worse because we're not taking...action." Australia has (10) [] species than any other continent. More than 100 species (11) []. An environmentalist said the report was, "a wake-up call to the damage humans are doing to the (12) []."

- a) every five years
- b) worse and worse
- c) world around us
- d) are now extinct
- e) lost more mammal
- f) not taking action

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) Who have reported a "shocking" loss of biodiversity?
a) the government.
b) scientists
c) Australia
d) Australia's ecosystems

3) What does the report reveal?
a) a big decrease in biodiversity
b) lower levels of pollution
c) a decrease in habitat loss
d) Australia's environment is good

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

5) Has Australia had drought, fires and floods?
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) recently
c) in the past five years
d) five years ago

7) What 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) Is each report happier than the one before?
a) Yes, it does.
b) No, it doesn't.
c) Yes, it is.
d) No, it isn't.

10) How many environment reports are there?
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 more plant 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 said "the report was, a wake-up call to the damage humans are doing to the world around us"?
a) a president
b) a politician
c) an environmentalist
d) a blogger