



Endangered Species

What You Need to Know

True or False

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- _____ 1. Endangered species are animals and plants that are at risk of becoming extinct.
- _____ 2. There is only one reason why species become endangered.
- _____ 3. Endangered species can only be found in specific parts of the world.
- _____ 4. The giant panda is an example of an endangered species.
- _____ 5. Endangered species are not important to their ecosystem.
- _____ 6. When a species becomes endangered, it does not affect other species in the ecosystem.
- _____ 7. Humans cannot help protect endangered species.
- _____ 8. Conservation efforts have never helped an endangered species recover.
- _____ 9. Scientists do not study endangered species to learn more about them.
- _____ 10. Only adults can help protect endangered species.



Match the vocabulary on the left with its meaning on the right.

_____ Species
_____ endangered
_____ reasons
_____ habitat
_____ destruction
_____ climate
_____ pollution
_____ destroy
_____ nowhere
_____ hunting

- A. Not in any place; no place.
- B. A type of animal or plant that is different from all others.
- C. The activity of trying to catch or kill animals for food or sport.
- D. When something is damaged or destroyed.
- E. The natural home of an animal or plant.
- F. The kind of weather a place has over a long time.
- G. When something harmful gets into the air, water or ground.
- H. To damage something so badly that it cannot be fixed.
- I. The cause or explanation for why something has happened.
- J. A type of animal or plant that is in danger of disappearing from the world.

Fill in the blank:

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protect

ecosystems

species

extinct

endangered

1. Endangered species are animals and plants that are at risk of becoming _____.
2. Habitat loss, climate change, and pollution are some of the reasons why species become _____.
3. The giant panda, African elephant, and Bengal tiger are examples of endangered _____.
4. Endangered species are important because they help keep the balance in their _____.
5. Scientists study endangered species to learn more about them and find ways to _____ them.

Match the vocabulary with its synonym

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| _____ Endangered | A. Contamination |
| _____ Habitat loss | B. at risk |
| _____ Conservation | C. protection |
| _____ Biodiversity | D. Natural environment |
| _____ Climate change | E. Variety of life |
| _____ Ecosystem | F. Global warming |
| _____ Extinct | G. vanished |
| _____ Overhunting | H. killing too many animals |
| _____ Pollution | I. fauna |
| _____ Wildlife | J. Destruction of natural habitats |

