## **IV- READING**

1. Read the text and complete below with the information. (15x1=15)

	RSPCA	WWT	
When started	1	2	
Number of centres and hospitals	and	5	
What they do	6	10	
How people can help	11 12 and 13	, 14 and 15	

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## **Helping animals in Britain**

British people are animal lovers. As a result, there are many famous animal charities which help animals in trouble.

The biggest and best known of these is the RSPCA (Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals). It started in the 1820s and now has 33 hospitals and 33 centres in the UK. Its job is to protect animals. It not only helps animals that have been hurt, but it also teaches people how to look after animals and asks the government to make laws to protect animals. The RSPCA needs money and people to help it with its work. Volunteers can help with fundraising, work with animals in animal centres, or they can visit people's homes to check they know how to look after animals.

The RSPCA looks after all animals. The Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust (WWT) looks after birds and other animals which live in or near the water. This charity was started in the 1940s. It has got nine centres and it gives protection to a lot of birds. Changes in the way we live, the way we farm and pollution (for example from oil tankers) can cause problems for all birds. The charity teaches people about birds and studies the way birds live so people can understand how to protect them. It also needs people to give it money and to volunteer at its centres. People can work in the shops or help teach people about the birds.