



Behind Bars at the Zoo

Pre-reading

A. Discuss the answers to these questions with your classmates.

1. What zoos do you know of, and how are the animals kept in them?
2. Why do we keep animals in zoos?
3. Do you think animals are happy in zoos?

Vocabulary in Context

Directions: Complete these definitions with the words or phrases in the box.

adapt conserve dignity extinct pacing up and down
confined database endangered species instinct was founded

1. When you are walking back and forth as if worried, you are _____.
2. When animals or humans do things naturally, without learning, they do it by _____.
3. When there are so few examples of a kind of animal or plant that it might die out completely, it is a(n) _____.
4. An animal or plant that no longer exists is _____.
5. A person or animal that has _____ has self-respect and a nobleness of character.
6. The year an organization such as the Zoological Society of London was started or established is the date it _____.
7. To save is to _____.
8. Some zoos have a(n) _____ with lists of endangered animals.
9. Something or someone in a cage or prison is _____.
10. To change so as to be able to live or work in new conditions is to _____.