

ENGLISH LISTENING PRACTICE

Topic : ECOLOGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Part 1: Complete the notes below. Write ONE WORD OR A NUMBER for each answer

The planet's climate has constantly been changing over thousands of years. The global average (1) _____ today is about 15°C. Scientists are worried that the (2) _____ is warming faster than ever before.

The 20 warmest years on record have been in the past 22 years, according to the World Meteorological Organization. If this trend continues, temperatures may rise by 3–5°C by (3) _____.

Scientists say we should try and stop this trend and not allow the average (4) _____ temperature to rise more than 1.5°. But even a 2°C rise would be bad for us all. Now, half a degree doesn't sound like much – but it could make a big (5) _____ to the planet.

Part 2: Choose the correct letter, A, B, C or D.

Question 1: What would happen to the coral reef if there were a 2°C rise?

- A. The coral reefs would be completely safe.
- B. All the coral reefs would disappear.
- C. 6 percent of the coral reefs would disappear.
- D. Some of the coral reefs would disappear.

Question 2: If the temperature goes up by 2°C, how many percent of the insects on Earth will disappear?

- A. 3
- B. 5
- C. 6
- D. 18

Question 3: How many percent of people will be affected by dangerous heat waves at 1.5°C rise?

- A. 9.25
- B. 18.5
- C. 37
- D. 74

Question 4: What kind of food has the biggest influence on climate change?

- A. beef
- B. pork
- C. chicken
- D. lamb

Question 5: What industry is a major source of greenhouse gases?

- A. Banking industry
- B. Chemical industry
- C. Travel industry
- D. Fashion industry

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