

# DISAPPEARING LANGUAGES

Read the text and use the word in capitals to form a word that fits in each space.

Many of the world's languages are vanishing at an (1)\_\_\_\_\_ rate due to political or (2)\_\_\_\_\_ reasons. It is estimated that half of all known languages may disappear by 2100. The (3)\_\_\_\_\_ of some elements of a language is a natural result of the passage of time, but now that we all live in a (4)\_\_\_\_\_ village, this process is speeding up.

ALARM  
ECONOMY

APPEAR  
GLOBE

Sometimes local languages co-exist with the dominant language, but they are (5)\_\_\_\_\_ replaced as older speakers die.

EVENTUAL  
PRESERVE

Although interest in language (6)\_\_\_\_\_ is on the rise, many people have an equally strong interest in stamping out (7)\_\_\_\_\_ languages. It is essential, therefore, for language (8)\_\_\_\_\_, language professionals and (9)\_\_\_\_\_ to work together.

MINOR  
COMMUNE  
GOVERN

