

PROBLEMS IN THE WORLD - PASSIVE VOICE PRESENT

Rewrite these sentences from the active to the passive. Use the prepositions in parentheses to indicate the cause.

1. Air pollution is threatening the health of people in urban areas (by)

The health of people in urban areas _____ by air pollution.

Example: the health of people in urban areas *is being threatened* **by** air pollution.

2. Oil spills are harming birds, fish, and other marine animals (because of)

Birds, fish, and other marine animals _____ because of _____

3. The destruction of rainforests is accelerating the extinction of plants and wildlife (by)

the extinction of plants and wildlife _____ by _____.

4. The Greenhouse Effect is affecting the earth's temperature. (by)

The earth's temperature _____

5. Harmful gases are damaging the ozone layer. (because of)

The ozone layer _____

6. Pollution from factories is contaminating the air in urban areas. (as a result of)
the air in urban areas _____

7. Pollution from cars and trucks is destroying our crops. (because of)

Our crops _____

8. Factories are releasing dangerous chemicals (by)

Dangerous chemicals _____

9. Global warming is threatening our forests and wildlife.(by)

Our forests and wildlife _____