

Unit 6. ENDANGERED SPECIES

Part I. PHONETICS

Exercise 1. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

1. A. endangered B. gorilla C. global D. dragon
2. A. change B. poaching C. chemical D. achievement
3. A. horn B. vehicle C. hippo D. habitat
4. A. species B. nest C. special D. helpful
5. A. snorkelling B. sensitive C. diversity D. reserve

Exercise 2. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of the primary stress in each of the following questions.

6. A. visit B. extinct C. survive D. evolve
7. A. dangerous B. survivor C. habitat D. vulnerable
8. A. convenient B. endanger C. critical D. tradition
9. A. pollution B. collision C. protection D. valuable
10. A. migrate B. giant C. panda D. rhino

Part II. VOCABULARY

Exercise 3. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

11. All types of dinosaurs went extinct long time ago.
A. thrived B. boomed C. survived D. died out
12. We need to prepare for our biology assignment about endangered plant species.
A. harmless B. dangerous C. likely to go extinct D. harmful
13. These animals are quite vulnerable when living near the industrial zone.
A. calm B. easily hurt C. safe D. relaxed
14. Every year, in Africa a lot of elephants are poached for tusks.
A. illegally hunted B. gently cooked C. boiled D. stewed
15. More complex animals gradually evolved from these very simple creatures.
A. resolved B. involved C. revolted D. developed
16. Many species are threatened in the wild due to habitat destruction by man.

- A. usual behaviour B. favourite activity
C. place of living D. rituals

17. These animals are now on the verge of extinction.

- A. natural tendency B. no longer existing
C. thriving D. developing

18. This forest contains many rare specie of plants.

- A. in small numbers B. real C. half-cock D. not done properly

19. Many birds didn't survive the severe winter.

- A. have enough food B. surprise C. get over D. continue to live

20. The main threat to the survival of these creatures comes from their loss of habitat.

- A. service B. surprise
C. continuing to exist D. no longer existing

21. Darwin's theory of evolution incorporates the principle of natural selection.

- A. radical revolution B. gradual development
C. radical resolution D. practical involvement

22. Environmentalists try to persuade the governments to see the need to preserve biological diversity.

- A. variety B. direction C. similarity D. closeness

23. Through the years they have made significant contributions to species conservation.

- A. protest B. protection C. production D. induction

24. There are several reasons why we should protect endangered species.

- A. argue against B. disapprove C. guard from harm D. make

known

25. We need to take action to help preserve fish stocks.

- A. serve B. prepare C. reserve D. conserve

26. At the moment it is difficult to assess the extent of the damage that his company has caused to the environment.

- A. loss B. useful benefits C. advantage D. nuances

27. The rainforest is being systematically destroyed.

- A. developed B. exploited C. expanded D. devastated

28. A number of mammal species roamed widely around the northern hemisphere.
A. wandered B. roared C. explored D. discovered
29. Komodo dragons are fierce hunters and can eat very large preys.
A. sharp B. aggressive C. friendly D. cooperative
30. What was fascinating to me was the way the creatures moved.
A. extremely fast B. completely boring
C. extremely interesting D. completely motivating
31. Environmentalists dedicate a lot of their time to running campaigns to raise people's awareness about protecting endangered species.
A. eliminate B. save C. waste D. devote
32. Malaysia local authorities have made efforts to restore the population of sea turtles.
A. pay back B. realize C. relax D. give back
33. Many wildlife reserves have been set up in this country.
A. money reserves B. booking reservations
C. protected areas D. emergency fund
34. Turtle enclosures save baby turtles from natural predators like birds, crabs, and lizards.
A. survivors B. hunters C. savers D. protectors
35. Dinosaurs were unable to survive severe ice age weather conditions.
A. harsh B. separate C. safe D. serious
36. We should have better law enforcement to stop poaching.
A. implementation B. enlightenment C. encouragement D. endorsement
37. Money spent on protecting endangered species should be used for improving me of the local people.
A. improvising B. enhancing C. implementing D. enacting
38. Today, the elephants' population is declining.
A. remaining stable B. going up C. decreasing D. developing
39. Fish are still abundant in that lake.
A. scarce B. available C. decreasing D. plentiful
40. Elephants play an important role in maintaining biodiversity.
A. retaining B. stopping C. pausing D. ending

41. Elephants break up thorny bushes to create grasslands for other animals to inhabit.

A. come in

B. live in

C. like

D. prefer

42. Elephants droppings are vital to the environment.

A. controversial

B. trivial

C. essential

D. optional