

4 Read and write the words from the list. Make any necessary changes.

condition
level

environment
life

handle
thrive

harsh
typical

lack of
variety

In 2004, National Geographic Explorer Kevin Hand and film director James Cameron went on a deep-sea expedition to a mid-ocean ridge. There they discovered a _____ of different animals living in this _____ 3,600 m. (11,800 ft.) below the surface of the sea. It's a _____ place to live because of the high _____ of poisonous chemicals in the water. There is also a complete _____ light. However, animals like giant tube worms, crabs and vent fish can _____ these extreme _____. Although the water is extremely hot and full of chemicals, they don't just survive – they _____ here.