VOCABULARY

THE OUTDOORS

1 A Find eight words connected with the outdoors in the puzzle.

F	E	A	T	U	R	E	S	C
N	D	E	R	F	S	G	C	O
A	I	R	O	Y	Z	A	E	R
T	S	T	P	A	R	K	N	U
U	D	E	I	F	C	X	E	R
R	S	F	C	O	P	L	R	A
A	D	N	A	M	E	W	Y	L
L	W	I	L	D	L	I	F	E

B Complete the phrases with words from Exercise 1A.

1 geographical _____
2 fresh _____
3 national _____
4 beautiful _____
5 _____ centre
6 _____ rainforest
7 _____ area
8 _____ beauty

C Complete the sentences with phrases from Exercise 1B.

1 We live in a polluted city, but in the countryside near us you can breathe _____.
2 I hate cities. I prefer living in a _____ because I grew up on a farm.
3 Unfortunately, the _____ was closed, so we didn't see the rare birds.
4 Mountains, waterfalls and volcanoes are examples of _____ you can find on this continent.
5 The Amazon is the world's biggest _____; it has incredible plant life because of all the rain.
6 Our biggest _____ is Etosha. You can drive around it and see wild animals.
7 We went for a walk in the hills. Then we stopped to take photos of the _____.
8 The Cotswolds is an area of _____. It's very green.

GRAMMAR

ARTICLES

2 Complete the sentences with the words in the box and add *a*, *an*, *the* or – (no article).

January	doctor	weather	Europe	architect
camera	~~right~~	elephants	noise	Thursday	sun

1 My house is on *the right*.
2 It's so cold in Iceland! I really hate _____.
3 During our safari in Namibia we saw lots of _____.
4 He loved buildings and wanted to be _____.
5 I bought a camera and a bag. Then we went travelling and I dropped and broke _____.
6 When I was twenty, I travelled around _____.
7 I'm working in December, but I'll be on holiday in _____.
8 Let me see him! I can help. I'm _____.
9 We didn't have a map to guide us, so we used _____.
10 Bye! See you on _____.
11 I heard a small noise. After a while, _____ got louder.

3 Complete the book review with *a*, *an*, *the* or – (no article).

A Walk on the Wild Side

by Giuseppe de Luca

Giuseppe de Luca has been [1] *an* adventurer all his life. He once ran away from home in [2] _____ Sicily and survived on fish that he caught from [3] _____ river with his hands. De Luca's book explains why he can't do [4] _____ normal job. He has tried office work, building boats, driving lorries across Europe and looking for dinosaur bones in [5] _____ Kenya. He couldn't do any of these for more than [6] _____ few months. He finally finds happiness living on [7] _____ smallest beach in Papua, New Guinea. But then he has some [8] _____ problems with the local police and they send him back to Sicily. Why is his story so interesting? It's his humour and his innocence. He is shy with girls. He doesn't have [9] _____ email address and he has never touched [10] _____ mobile phone. He clearly loves living alone in [11] _____ wild and his book makes a great companion.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

LISTENING

4 A 9.3 Listen and match statements a)–d) with speakers 1–4.



a) He/She has spent a lot of time in the garden. _____
b) He/She lives on a farm. _____
c) He/She lives near a beach. _____
d) He/She comes from the USA. _____

B Listen again and answer the questions. Do not use more than three words for each answer.

1 a) Who does the speaker go for walks with these days?

_____

b) What did she see on the beach once?

_____

2 a) What did the speaker invent as a child?

_____

b) Where does she say she 'grew up'?

_____

3 a) When does the speaker go hiking and camping?

_____

b) What 'big' things does he say that Americans like?

_____

4 a) What animals does the speaker work with?

_____

b) What doesn't he like about living on a farm?

_____

C Match the words and phrases in bold in 1–8 with meanings a)–h).

1 That was **fun**. _____
2 It was **enormous**. _____
3 I played in a **tree house**. _____
4 You could **be outside** all day. _____
5 I go **hiking**. _____
6 There are **all kinds of** plants and animals. _____
7 It's **completely normal** to see animals around. _____
8 I really like **feeding** the pigs. _____

a) walking in the countryside
b) very common
c) giving food to
d) enjoyable
e) many different types of
f) a small house in a tree, usually for children
g) extremely big
h) be in the open air, not in a building

D Read what Gyorgi says about his experiences in nature. Complete the text with the words and phrases in bold in Exercise 4C.

'When I was younger, I lived in a very cold part of Russia. It was [1]_____ for the temperature to be minus twenty degrees and in the winter, you might not [2]_____ for many weeks. We spent a lot of time at home, playing games and singing in front of the fire. To be honest, it wasn't much [3]_____ in winter, but in summer we did [4]_____ enjoyable activities. Where I lived, there were some mountains and forests and we sometimes went [5]_____ in the mountains with my parents. And I remember we once built a [6]_____ in my garden. My brother loved birds and he spent hours [7]_____ them different types of fruit and nuts while he was sitting in it. As a child, I always thought our garden was [8]_____, but when I went back there a few years ago, I saw that it was quite small.'

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