

## Part 1.2 – Practice

**1**

**Underline the correct form in italics.**

1. An increasing number of tourists *visit / visits* sites where catastrophes occurred.
2. Many people *are agreeing / agree* that travelling with friends *reduces / reduce* safety concerns.
3. Teachers working in rural schools *are / is* more likely to experience burnout than their counterparts in cities.
4. Working in rural schools *are / is* rightly regarded as being considerably more challenging than working in urban ones.
5. Reusing plastic bottles *is / are* not very hygienic, unless of course the bottles *are / is* thoroughly cleaned between uses.
6. It *is being / is* often said that increasing taxes *discourages / discourage* investment and expansion.
7. An increase in entry fees at popular national parks *are / is* unlikely to boost tourism.
8. Not everybody *understands / understand* how reusing plastic bags *do / does* any good at all.
9. Contrary to popular belief, most news *does not involve / do not involve* celebrities or catastrophes.
10. A huge amount of information *are / is* available on the Internet, but unfortunately not all sources *are / is* reliable.

**2**

**Complete the sentences with the correct Present Simple form of the verbs in brackets.**

1. Visiting national parks is a great form of tourism and should be promoted, as long as the growing number of visitors \_\_\_\_\_ the animals that \_\_\_\_\_ there. (*not/adversely/impact // live*)
2. A large number of people \_\_\_\_\_ that education in single-sex schools \_\_\_\_\_ more beneficial to students. (*agree // be*)
3. There \_\_\_\_\_ no conclusive evidence that paying employees higher salaries \_\_\_\_\_ their loyalty. (*be // ensure*)
4. Fierce competition for jobs \_\_\_\_\_ that graduates really \_\_\_\_\_ to stand out when applying for a job. (*mean // need*)
5. Maintaining friendly relationships with colleagues \_\_\_\_\_ people improve their work-life balance. (*help*)
6. In some countries, non-compliance with traditional cultural practices \_\_\_\_\_ punishable by law. (*be*)
7. Most news \_\_\_\_\_ people sad. (*make*)
8. Students who \_\_\_\_\_ the advice of a career counsellor \_\_\_\_\_ to be more successful than those who do not. (*heed // tend*)
9. Most people actually \_\_\_\_\_ that the police \_\_\_\_\_ a very good job. (*believe // do*)
10. Small fish \_\_\_\_\_ fewer contaminants than big fish like tuna. (*accumulate*)