1 Match the words (1–10) with the words (a–j) to make phrases and expressions about nature and the environment.

1	acid	___	a	eruption
2	mountain	___	b	farms
3	high	___	c	food
4	endangered	___	d	range
5	ozone	___	e	layer
6	rescue	___	f	rain
7	organic	___	g	species
8	volcanic	___	h	winds
9	natural	___	i	workers
10	wind	___	j	disaster

2 Complete the sentences (1–9) with the missing words. Use the correct word forms.

1 Wasps and butterflies are insects; lizards and crocodiles are r_____ .

2 The temperature dropped to zero and it became f_____ cold.

3 H_____ rains in the monsoon season brought serious floods in the region.

4 The camp was situated on a river bank in the middle of a dense f_____ .

5 The careless skiers caused an a_____ ; it's a miracle they weren't badly injured by the snow.

6 The engine of the car was designed to reduce the emission of e_____ fumes.

7 Saving water and r_____ glass and paper are actions we all can take to protect the environment.

8 A long period of dry weather caused d_____ and forest fires.

9 Sheila would like to g_____ lilies and roses in her garden.

4 Complete each gap in the sentences (1–10) with one word.

1 We got home really late _____ of the blizzard.

2 We might go _____ a safari this summer.

3 Global warming is responsible _____ the rising water levels in the oceans.

4 My brother is tired; he might _____ want to go skiing today.

5 Could this snake _____ venomous?

6 Is _____ possible to see wild tigers in this reserve?

7 _____ are a lot of dogs in this shelter.

8 Is the nearby beach sandy _____ rocky?

9 It _____ be cold outside. The sun is shining and people are walking around in T-shirts.

10 Susan bought an environmentally _____ electric car to reduce pollution.

Most people in Hungary know that Lake Balaton is the ¹_____ freshwater lake in Central Europe and that it is a popular tourist destination. It is also a well-known ²_____ that while the southern shore is flat and shallow, the hills along the northern side drop steeply into deeper water. But what many ³_____ realize is that Balaton is one of the last remains of a sea ⁴_____ covered most of Central Europe in prehistoric times. Back then, the hills of Bakony north ⁵_____ today's lake, and Mecsek in southern Hungary, were only islands in the Pannonian Sea. Even today, the area is rich in dinosaur fossils that once lived on these fertile islands. The Pannonian Sea existed for 9 million years, stretching from where Vienna ⁶_____ today all the way to central Serbia. ⁷_____ remains is a beautiful but very shallow lake, with an average depth of only 3 metres. In fact, if all the water disappeared from Balaton, you ⁸_____ see a deep basin, only a flat plain against the hills in the north.

1	A larger	B large	C largest	D most large
2	A idea	B opinion	C theory	D fact
3	A don't	B can't	C couldn't	D shouldn't
4	A which	B what	C it	D –
5	A from	B of	C to	D by
6	A finds	B places	C stands	D locates
7	A There	B What	C Which	D It
8	A won't	B shouldn't	C can't	D wouldn't