

Vocabulary

Wildlife in danger

1 Complete the verbs and nouns with the correct letters. Then match them with the correct definitions.

1 c _ _ p _ _ _ _ i t y (n)

- A the condition of being very lazy and inactive
- B the condition of being confined in a space
- C the action of catching an animal
- D the state of living in the wild
- E the state of not being allowed into a certain space

2 p r _ _ _ a _ _ o r (n)

- A an animal which kills others for food
- B an animal which is killed for food
- C an animal which is unable to kill for food
- D a person who doesn't eat meat
- E a person who kills animals illegally

3 b _ _ e _ _ d (v)

- A put two animals together in the same living environment
- B cause an animal to kill another animal
- C kill an animal in a controlled manner
- D cause an animal to produce offspring in a controlled way
- E escape from a wild animal

4 p _ _ e _ _ (n)

- A a dead animal
- B an animal which kills others for food
- C an animal's natural home
- D an animal which has been placed in a zoo
- E an animal which is hunted and killed by another animal for food

5 h _ _ b _ _ _ a t (n)

- A a place where an animal is put after being taken from its natural home
- B something that an animal will find comfortable
- C actions that an animal will typically perform every day
- D the natural home or environment of an animal
- E a zoo housing many endangered species

6 s m _ _ _ g l _ _ (v)

- A prevent something from leaving a country
- B refuse to allow something into a country
- C move something illegally into or out of a country
- D permit something to be allowed into a country
- E apply to bring something into a country

2 Circle the correct alternatives to complete the text.

In 1979, the African elephant population was estimated at approximately 1.3 million. However, a decade later it had more than halved, with ivory (1) **species / trafficking** believed to be the main cause. Elephants and other animals are (2) **poached / smuggled** for their tusks and horns, and the ivory is used for anything from jewelry to piano keyboards. Despite various international bans to protect the African elephant, as well as other (3) **prey / species**, in 2011 more than 24 tons of illegally trafficked ivory were (4) **seized / poached** by officials. The World Wildlife Fund is committed to protecting the natural (5) **extinction / habitat** of the African elephant. The general public can also help by not purchasing ivory products, in order to help save the African elephant and other animals from (6) **breeding / extinction**.



Focus on phrasal verbs

3 Choose the correct sentence in each pair.

- 1 A Many believe that climate change may wipe out the polar bear population.
B Please can you wipe out the mess in your room?
- 2 A As soon as the movie ends up, I'm going home.
B After his bicycle accident, Joe ended up with a broken nose.
- 3 A After careful observation, we've now homed in on the reasons why the animals were unable to adapt to their new environment.
B I find it difficult to home in on which is my favorite animal.
- 4 A Aye-ayes like being set apart from other animals because they're solitary creatures.
B The giraffe's height sets it apart from other animals.