

 ACTIVITY 1: PUT THE VERBS IN BRACKETS INTO THE CORRECT FORM OF THE SIMPLE PAST.

a) BEFORE THE POLAR BEAR AND THE GRIZZLY BEAR, THERE WAS THE SHORT-FACED BEAR, WHICH 1_____ (CAN) WEIGH UP TO 2000 POUNDS (907 KILOGRAMS). PEOPLE 2_____ (GIVE) IT A NICKNAME: THE "BULLDOG BEAR". IT 3_____ (BE) HIGHLY CARNIVOROUS. IT 4_____ (HUNT) STEPPE HORSES, ANTELOPES AND, SOMETIMES, DIRE WOLVES AND SMILODONS. IT 5_____ (RUN) FASTER THAN TODAY'S BEARS AND 6_____ (HAVE) POWERFUL JAWS. IT 7_____ (DISAPPEAR) 11,000 YEARS AGO. IT WAS ALSO HUNTED BY HUMANS FOR FUR AND MEAT



b) THE DODO 8_____ (BE) A FLIGHTLESS BIRD THAT 9_____ (LIVE) ON THE ISLAND OF MAURITIUS. IT WAS DISCOVERED IN 1598 BY SAILORS WHO 10_____ (LAND) ON THE SHORES OF MAURITIUS. HUMANS, DOGS AND PIGS 11_____ (HUNT) THEM UNTIL THEY 12_____ (BE) EXTINCT BY 1681. WITH HUMANS KILLING THE DODO, THE MAURITIAN CALVARIA TREE 13_____ (BECOME) EXTINCT ITSELF. THE CALVARIA TREE 14_____ (CAN) ONLY SPROUT AFTER HAVING BEEN EATEN AND DIGESTED BY THE DODO BIRD.

