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### What Is Extinction?

Match – Write the letter on the right on the line of the correct meaning of the following.

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| _____ when a species is gone forever                                 | (a) fossil     |
| _____ species that are in danger of becoming extinct                 | (b) threatened |
| _____ organisms of a kind or sort                                    | (c) endangered |
| _____ when a species is on its way to becoming endangered or extinct | (d) species    |
| _____ an animals or plant that lived a long time ago on Earth        | (e) extinct    |
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6. How are threatened species different from endangered species? \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. How can people cause animals to become extinct?  
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8. What can we learn about how animals became extinct by looking at fossils? \_\_\_\_\_

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9. How can we better protect animals that are threatened or endangered? \_\_\_\_\_

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10. What is the main cause of animal extinction today?

- (a) fossils
- (b) hunting
- (c) habitat loss
- (d) weather