

VOCABULARY SET 33: ZOOS

Vocabulary:

1. **(an) infringement(s)** (n): xâm phạm, vi phạm
2. **a resourceful learning environment** (np): môi trường học tập bổ ích
3. **be incapable of** (collocation): không có khả năng làm gì
4. **breed one's offspring** (collocation): sinh sản
5. **bully** (v): đánh đập (bắt nạt)
6. **captive** (adj): bị nhốt, giam cầm
7. **deforestation** (n): phá rừng
8. **during the course of** (collocation): trong quá trình
9. **evolve** (v): tiến triển, phát triển
10. **exploit** (v): bóc lột, lợi dụng, khai thác
11. **fauna** (n): hệ động vật
12. **habitat** (n): môi trường sống
13. **invaluable** (adj): vô giá (note: hay nhầm với "valueless")
14. **mistreat** (v): ngược đãi
15. **on a daily basis** (collocation): hằng ngày
16. **physical contact** (np): động chạm, tiếp xúc
17. **pointless** (adj) / **valueless** (adj): vô nghĩa
18. **thrive** (v): phát triển mạnh

Exercises:

Task 1: Translate from Vietnamese to English

1. Tình trạng bị nuôi nhốt trong lồng có thể làm giảm khả năng sinh sản của động vật.

2. Nạn phá rừng gây ảnh hưởng đến môi trường sống của một số loài động vật, gây nguy hiểm cho hệ động vật ở khu vực đó.

3. Các nhà động vật học lo ngại rằng động vật bị ngược đãi và bóc lột tại sở thú hoặc các gánh xiếc.

4. Thà động vật nuôi nhốt về môi trường sống tự nhiên sẽ là vô nghĩa nếu như chính phủ không có khả năng kiểm soát nạn săn bắn bất hợp pháp.

5. Mạng Internet có thể trở thành một môi trường học tập bổ ích nếu được sử dụng hợp lý.

Task 2: Write sentences from given cues. Make changes to the cues when needed.

1. Dogs and cats / have / preference / petting / involve / physical contact.

2. During the course of / life / we / all have / sorts / relationships. Some / evolve. Some / not.

3. Have / someone / by one's side / ups and downs / be / invaluable.

4. It / believe / animals / only / thrive / when / live / natural habitats.

5. Example / infringement / animal rights / be / force / them / perform / on a daily basis / at tract visitors.

Task 3: Fill in the blanks with suitable words/phrases

(an) infringement(s) (n)	exploit (v)
a resourceful learning environment (np)	fauna (n)
be incapable of (collocation)	habitat (n)
breed one's offspring (collocation)	invaluable (adj)
bully (v)	mistreat (v)
captive (adj)	on a daily basis (collocation)
deforestation (n)	physical contact (np)
during the course of (collocation)	pointless / valueless (adj)
evolve (v)	thrive (v)

Some people say that zoos have no useful purpose. Others believe that zoos are beneficial in many ways.

Discuss and give your opinion.

A diversity of animal species from leopards and eagles to lizards have been captured and kept in zoos across the globe for centuries. While this practice is considered 1 _____ to some, I believe there are real advantages to it.

Zoos, according to some, are 2 _____. There is a common belief that the act of caging an animal is already an 3 _____ of animal rights. The matter can be even worse when some caged animals are 4 _____, 5 _____ and 6 _____ when they are forced to perform in shows aimed at attracting visitors. Zoologists may also argue that these creatures may lose their natural instincts 7 _____ being 8 _____; therefore, they can 9 _____ returning to the wild in the future. For example, a tiger may lose its hunting nature when it is fed on 10 _____.

However, I believe zoological gardens are 11 _____ not only for humans but also for the animals themselves. First, for young children and biology students, these venues can provide

12 _____, where both an understanding of and love for nature may easily 13 _____ as
14 _____ with animals is possible. As a result, even the 15 _____ from the furthest
16 _____ such as penguins from the South Pole can be learnt about and appreciated. Second, zoos
have long offered home to thousands of endangered species, where they could 17 _____ and
18 _____. This has proved crucial as over-hunting, 19 _____ and climate change have
threatened to destroy the natural habitats of some wild animals.

To conclude, I firmly believe that the advantages of zoos outweigh the disadvantages. All the
aforementioned disadvantages can be lessened if more is invested in zoos create a better living space for
the animal.

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