

3 89 Complete the summary of Dr Harrison's work using these words. Then listen again and check.

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Dr Harrison is part of a National Geographic project called Enduring Voices, whose ¹ _____ is to document languages which are little known and are in danger of becoming ² _____. The race is on to trace and ³ _____ these languages. Dr Harrison seeks out places – language ‘hotspots’ – where there is a great ⁴ _____ of languages. This work is important because when we lose a language, we lose ⁵ _____ of thinking. All cultures ⁶ _____ their genius through their languages and stories. These languages store knowledge which can be of ⁷ _____ benefit to people today. For example, the Yupik language of the Eskimo people has helped scientists to ⁸ _____ how climate change is affecting the polar ice.