Our natural world

1 Which picture shows: CHECK

- wild animals
- mountains
- birds
- a river
- the ocean
- a lake
- a forest
- a desert
- a waterfall



















area (n): a particular region of a country
e.g. *Mountainous **areas** are very popular with skiers in the winter.*

cover (v): to form a layer over a surface
e.g. *70% of the Earth's surface is **covered** with water.*

drop (v): to become less
e.g. *Deserts are very hot places but at night temperatures can **drop** to below freezing at night.*

home (n): the place where sb/sth lives
e.g. *The Great Barrier Reef in Australia is **home** to beautiful colourful sea creatures.*

insect (n): a small animal with six legs
e.g. *In the summer we use **insect** repellent to keep insects such as mosquitoes away.*

lack (n): not having something; a shortage
e.g. *There is hardly any vegetation in deserts as there is a **lack** of rain.*

provide (v): to give sb sth
e.g. *Oceans **provide** 50% of the Earth's oxygen.*

shelter (n): a place giving protection from bad weather or danger
e.g. *The wolves found **shelter** in a cave when it started to snow.*

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2 a) Fill in: CHECK

provide | cover | home | lack
shelter | areas | drop | insects

A They are one of nature's treasures. They are **1)** _____ with a lot of trees and **2)** _____ about 30% of the Earth's land surface. They provide food and **3)** _____ to people and animals.

B They take up 70% of the Earth's surface. They are **4)** _____ to some of the most amazing creatures on Earth. They **5)** _____ 50% of the Earth's oxygen.

C They occupy 1/5 of the Earth's land surface. It rarely rains there. Reptiles, **6)** _____, birds and mammals live there. They are hot and there is a **7)** _____ of water and plants. However, temperatures **8)** _____ at night.

Fill in the text with the words below. CHECK

care | worse | habitats | wildlife | protect
then | continue | planet | environment | clean

It is important to take **1)** _____ of the environment and protect our **2)** _____ and its **3)** _____. If we help keep the oceans **4)** _____ and healthy, **5)** _____ fish and marine animals will **6)** _____ to live. If we **7)** _____ our forests, then birds and most mammals will have **8)** _____ to live in and food to eat. If we don't take care of the **9)** _____, our world will change for the **10)** _____.

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