Unit 5B. Social issues.

1. *Read the news stories. What do the words in bold mean? Use the context to help you.*



High levels of pollution found in cities

Scientists report that there is increasing pollution in many cities around the world. It is thought that the increasing number of cars in cities is to blame.

Town makes plan to recycle old car parts

A small town in New Zealand is taking old cars and using their parts to create works of art.

Schoolchildren remove waste from a beach to protect the environment

Over a hundred children spent the day collecting plastic, tin cans and paper cups from a beach in Cornwall, UK. Ten-year-old May Jones said, 'The natural world is our responsibility.'

Activists start a campaign against killing of elephants

Yesterday thousands of people walked through the streets of Nairobi, Kenya, calling for new laws to protect elephants.

Local company donates $10,000 to charity

A fishing company has given $10,000 to a group that works to save whales.

Teenagers collect coins for charity

Magda Kowalski, 14, and Jan Bartosz, 15, of Katowice raised over €2,500 for two charities, Children in Need and Food for the Poor, by asking for coins.

pollution/ to recycle/ waste/ environment/ activists/ campaign/ to donate/ to collect/ charity

a) _____ (n.) - things that are not needed anymore and are thrown away.

b) _____ (v.) - to bring things together in one place, often over time (for example, money or rubbish).

c) _____ (n.) - people who take action to change something in society, for example to protect the environment or help others.

d) _____ (n.) - the process of making air, water, or land dirty, for example with chemicals or rubbish

e) _____ (n.) - a planned set of actions or activities to achieve a goal, for example to raise money or inform people about a problem.

f) _____ (v.) - to give money, clothes, food, or other things to help people or organizations.

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g) _____ (v.) - to use old materials (like paper, glass, or plastic) again to make new things.

h) _____ (n.) - an organization that helps people in need or supports a good cause, often using donated money or items.

i) _____ (n.) - the natural world around us, including air, water, land, plants, and animals.

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