

## Unit 5B. Social issues.

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

<p><b>High levels of pollution</b> found in cities</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Schoolchildren remove <b>waste</b> from a beach to protect <b>the environment</b></p> <p>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.'</p>	<p><b>Activists</b> start a <b>campaign</b> against killing of elephants</p> <p>Yesterday thousands of people walked through the streets of Nairobi, Kenya, calling for new laws to protect elephants.</p>	<p>Teenagers <b>collect</b> coins for <b>charity</b></p> <p>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.</p>
<p><b>Town makes plan to recycle</b> old car parts</p> <p>A small town in New Zealand is taking old cars and using their parts to create works of art.</p>	<p><b>Local company donates</b> \$10,000 to charity</p> <p>A fishing company has given \$10,000 to a group that works to save whales.</p>		

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.

- 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.