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Unit 9: Protecting the Environment

Protecting the environment has become one of the most important responsibilities of people around the world. Our planet is facing serious problems such as air pollution, water contamination, deforestation, and climate change. These issues are mainly caused by human activities, including burning fossil fuels, cutting down forests, and producing large amounts of plastic waste.

One of the most effective ways to protect the environment is by reducing waste. Students can start by using reusable bags, bottles, and containers instead of single-use plastic products. Recycling paper, glass, and metal also helps save natural resources and reduce pollution. In addition, saving energy at home and at school plays an important role. Turning off lights, fans, and electronic devices when they are not in use can lower electricity consumption.

Planting trees is another meaningful action. Trees absorb carbon dioxide and provide oxygen, which improves air quality. They also create habitats for many animals. Furthermore, people should use public transportation, ride bicycles, or walk whenever possible to reduce harmful gas emissions from vehicles.

Education is the key to long-term environmental protection. When young people understand the importance of protecting nature, they are more likely to develop eco-friendly habits. By working together, individuals and communities can make a positive difference and ensure a cleaner, healthier planet for future generations.

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PART A: Match the words (A–E) with their correct definitions (1–5).

A. Pollution

1. The natural home of an animal or plant.

B. Recycle

2. The act of cutting down large numbers of trees.

C. Deforestation

3. Harmful substances released into the air.

D. Emission

4. The process of using materials again to make new products.

E. Habitat

5. The presence of harmful substances in the environment.

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PART B: Respond whether each statement is true or false.

1- Environmental problems are only caused by natural disasters.

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2- Using reusable products can help reduce waste.

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3- Trees increase carbon dioxide in the air.

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4- Saving electricity helps protect the environment.

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5- Education can encourage eco-friendly habits.

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PART C: Choose the best answer (A, B, C, or D).

- 1** What is one major cause of environmental problems?
 - A. Planting trees
 - B. Recycling paper
 - C. Burning fossil fuels
 - D. Using public transport

- 2** What should students use instead of single-use plastic?
 - A. Disposable bags
 - B. Reusable containers
 - C. More plastic bottles
 - D. Paper waste

- 3** Why are trees important?
 - A. They produce plastic
 - B. They absorb carbon dioxide
 - C. They increase pollution
 - D. They waste energy

- 4** How can people reduce vehicle emissions?
 - A. Drive more cars
 - B. Burn more fuel
 - C. Use public transportation
 - D. Cut down trees

- 5** What is the main idea of the passage?
 - A. How to make money
 - B. The development of technology
 - C. The history of transportation
 - D. The importance of protecting the environment

THE END!