

Reading Comprehension Worksheet: Environmental Problems in Australia

Reading Text

Australia is famous for its amazing creatures and plants. However, scientists have reported a “shocking” loss of biodiversity. The government released a depressing report about the environment. It says there is a decrease in biodiversity, an increase in habitat loss, and more pollution. Climate change is also damaging Australia's ecosystems. Australia publishes its State of the Environment Report every five years. Each report has shown that the situation is getting worse. Scientists say droughts, floods and wildfires have killed many animals and destroyed natural habitats. Because of these problems, many species are disappearing. A conservation group said the government is not taking enough action to protect nature. Australia has lost more mammal species than any other continent. More than 100 species are already extinct. Environmentalists say this report is a “wake-up call” for everyone. They believe stronger actions are needed to protect wildlife and ecosystems in the future.

A. Multiple Choice

1. What is Australia famous for?

A. Cities B. Wildlife C. Technology D. Factories

2. How often is the environmental report published?

A. Every year B. Every two years C. Every five years D. Every ten years

3. What natural disasters harmed animals?

A. Earthquakes B. Tornadoes C. Droughts and wildfires D. Snowstorms

B. True / False

1. Australia is known for its biodiversity. True / False

2. Climate change does not affect Australia's ecosystems. True / False

3. Many animals died because of droughts and floods. True / False

C. Short Answer

1. What problem have scientists reported?

2. How often does Australia publish the State of the Environment Report?

3. What natural disasters have killed many animals?

D. Gap Filling

Complete the summary:

Australia is experiencing a serious loss of _____. Pollution and climate change are harming many _____

Natural disasters such as droughts and _____ destroy habitats.

More than _____ species are already extinct.

Environmentalists say this report is a _____ call for everyone.

Answer Key

Multiple Choice: 1.B 2.C 3.C

True/False: 1.True 2.False 3.True

Gap Fill: biodiversity, animals, wildfires, 100, wake-up