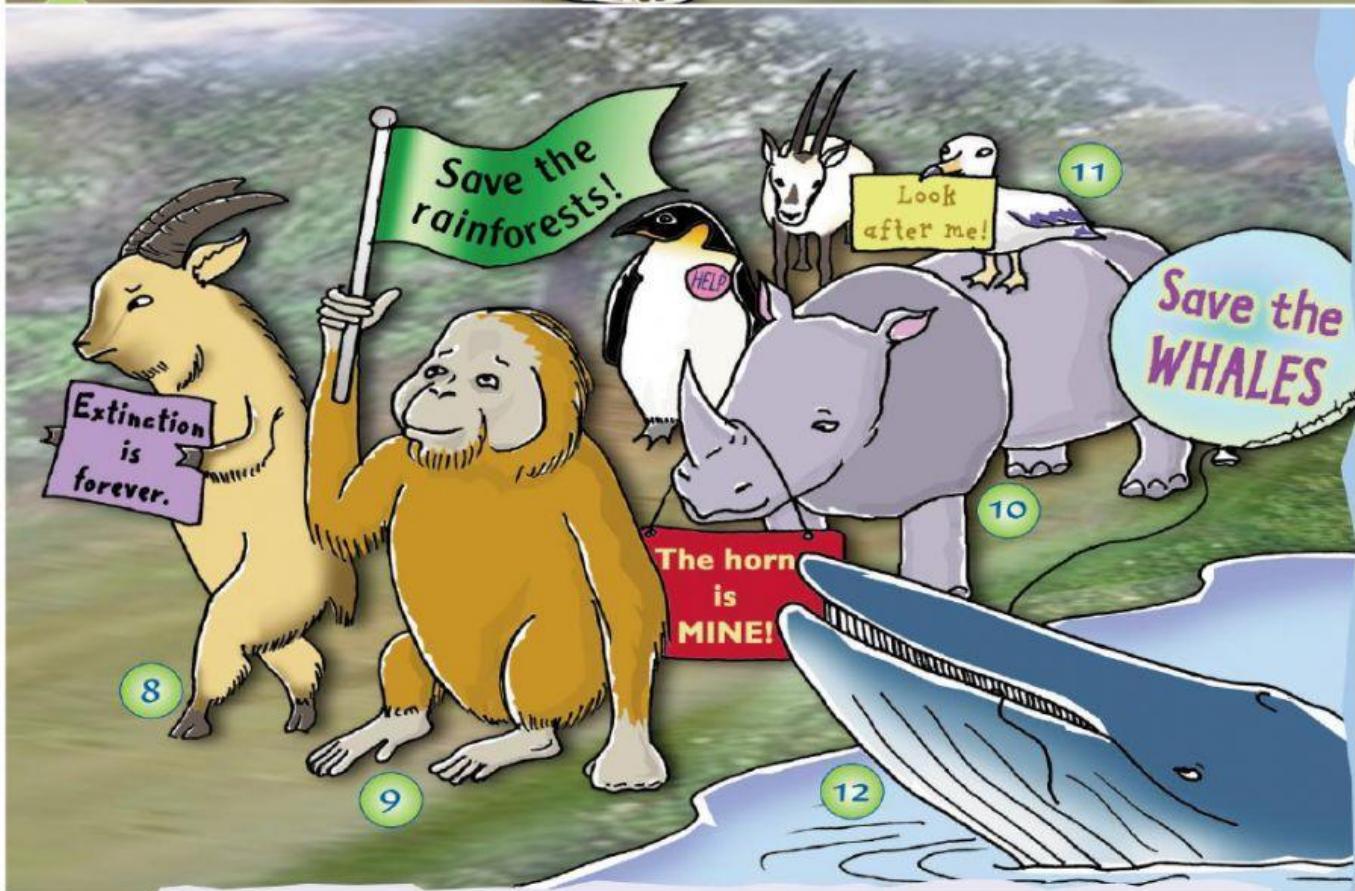


UNIT

3

Animals in danger



1**Look and match.**

All the animals in the picture are in danger. Match each animal to its name.
Use the words below to help you.

SAVE THE ANIMALS!

a. macaw	b. tiger	c. blue whale	d. marine iguana
e. orang-utan	f. Arabian tahr	g. rhino	h. seagull
i. hedgehog	j. Arabian leopard	k. giant panda	l. turtle



Now listen and check your answers.

2**Read and match.**

Read and match each description to one of the animals in the picture.

1

I live in Asia. I've got orange fur with black stripes. I weigh more than 200 kilos and I'm the largest member of the big cat family. My worst enemy is man. 50 years ago there were thousands of animals like me. If people do nothing to help, there will be none of us left by 2050. Some people are trying to protect me because I am hunted for sport and because parts of my body are used in traditional medicine.

2

I am the largest mammal in the world. I am 30 metres long and I live in the Northern Pacific Ocean. In the past, I was hunted by man for oil and food. In 1967, I became protected by law. There are very few mammals like me. I am a highly endangered species. If you don't act quickly, I will soon disappear.

3

I am 4 metres long and weigh almost 5 tonnes. I have thick, hard, grey skin and a horn on my head. I am endangered because my horn and my blood are used in traditional medicine. People called poachers break the law and kill me for my horn because they can get a lot of money for it. Some people are trying to stop the poachers. If they don't, I will become extinct.

1 Read, listen and tick.

Maha listened to a radio programme about the Arabian oryx. She has made some mistakes in her notes. Listen and decide if each statement is correct. If you think it is correct, put a tick ✓. If you think it is not correct, put a cross ✗.



- a. The oryx can live for months without drinking water.
- b. During the day, it walks up to 50 kilometres.
- c. It likes to live in groups.
- d. The last wild oryx was shot in the 1960's.
- e. Some oryx were bred in a zoo in Oman.
- f. In the 1980's, some oryx were returned to the wild.

2 Read and complete.

Here is some information about the Arabian oryx from a ranger's manual. Use the words in the rock below to write in the missing words.

1. If an oryx loses its herd, it will look for them.
2. If it finds fresh footprints, it will follow them.
3. If you see fresh footprints like these, you will understand that oryx are nearby.
4. Also, if an oryx loses its herd, it will stand high up where other oryx will see it.
5. If you go to the Jiddat Al Harasees, you will know why the oryx is so special.

