

# Task 1

Look through the words in Quizlet

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# Task 2

Choose the correct variant

- 1. We walked slowly through the (thick / dense) forest.
- 2. Tom and Julie stopped for a while to (admire the view / enjoy the landscape).
- 3. The views of the (snow-peaked / snow-capped) mountains and rolling green (country /countryside) are (breathtaking / surprising).
- 4. The resort is within easy access of both secluded (rocky / rock-covered) coves and long (sanded / sandy) beaches.
- 5. The (flora and fauna / fauna and flora) of this island are unique.
- 6. Our company aims to use (environmentally friendly / harmless) methods of food production.

- 7. We had (spectacular / spectacle) views of the sunset over the sea from our hotel window.
- 8. The deforestation and unsustainable (development / building) of the area over the past twenty years has led to irreparable (injury / damage) to the environment.
- 9. Living in the country, you feel much closer to (nature / the nature).

#### Task 3

Choose an expression which is NOT a collocation?

- 1. natural phenomenon / disaster / problems / resources
- 2. Green policies / measures / party / environment
- 3. preserve / protect / keep / damage the environment
- 4. barren / countryside / dramatic / urban landscape
- 5. endangered / fragile / environmental / coastal habitat

#### Task 4

Match the two parts of the sentences.

- 1. The burning of fossil fuels leads to global ...
- 2. Insects are an essential part of the food ...
- 3. We need to develop new forms of renewable ...
- 4. The sight of these animals is one of the wonders of the natural ...
- 5. It's important to preserve the otter's natural ...
- 6. The government is promoting sustainable ...
- a. world.
- b. warming.
- c. habitat.
- d. energy.
- e. development.
- f. chain.

#### Task 5

Choose the correct variant

Scientists say that many of the world's plants are in danger of 1. drying / dying out – of becoming extinct. Dr Paul Smith, from Botanic Gardens Conservation International, said 2. one / once in five of the world's plants is in danger of 3. extinct / extinction. The world's botanic

gardens 4. contents / contain about 100,000 species, including a 5. third / thirdly of all the world's endangered plants. Botanic gardens help to protect around 40 per cent of endangered 6. specials / species of plants. They contain many of the rarest plants. Dr Smith said: "This is the first 7. times / time that we have carried out a global assessment to look at the 8. width / wide range of plants grown, managed and 9. conserved / conversed in botanic gardens. For the first time we know what we have and, perhaps more 10. importance / importantly, what is missing from botanic gardens." Researcher Dr Samuel Brockington said the world's botanic gardens were the best 11. hoping / hope for saving the world's 12. most / must endangered plants. He said: "Currently, an estimated one-fifth of plant 13. diverse / diversity is under threat, yet there is no 14. technical / technique reason why any plant species should 15. become / becoming extinct." Dr Brockington warned that if we do not protect 16. engendered / endangered plants, people could have trouble finding food and fuel in the future. He said: "If 17. they / we do not conserve our plant diversity, humanity will struggle to 18. solution / solve the global challenges of food and fuel 19. security / secure...and climate change." Most of the plants are in danger because of humans cutting down forests for farming and cities, and because of 20. pests / pasts and climate change.

### Task 6

Match the following synonyms.

- 1. dying out 2. in danger 3. endangered 4. protect 5. missing 6. hope 7. diversity 8. trouble 9. struggle 10. farming
- a. lacking b. safeguard c. problems d. at risk e. variety f. becoming extinct g. fight h. agriculture i. chance j. threatened

#### Task 7

Discuss the following questions

- 1. What did you think when you read the headline?
- 2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'plant'?
- 3. What is your favourite plant?
- 4. Why are the world's plants dying out?
- 5. What would happen if plants became extinct?
- 6. What do you think of botanic gardens?

- 7. Why are plants so important?
- 8. How can we protect endangered species?
- 9. How green is your country?
- 10. What do you think when a plant becomes extinct?
- 11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- 12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'garden'?
- 13. What do you think about what you read?
- 14. How important are botanic gardens?
- 15. What do you know and think about seed banks?
- 16. How many of the world's plants could be endangered in 20 years?
- 17. How can we protect endangered plants?
- 18. When will humans stop cutting down trees?
- 19. How would we survive in a world without plants?
- 20. What questions would you like to ask the scientists?