Endangered Animals.
Topic Lesson.

Lesson 030
B1 level
90 minutes

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Lesson Guide.

Introduction.

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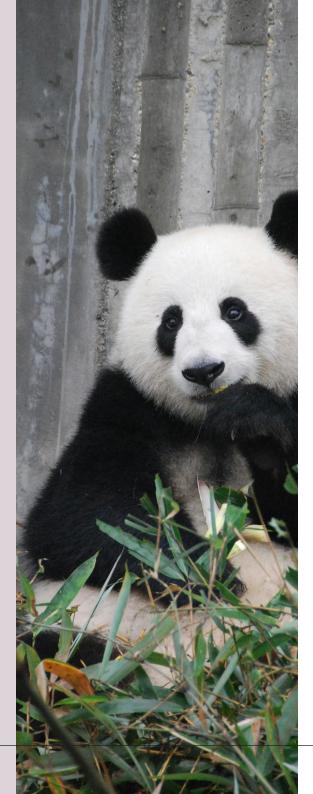
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Warmer.

**Think of animal.
Let your partner guess.
You can only use 'Yes' or 'No' Questions.**

**Is it (adjective)?
Can it (verb)?
Does it have a (noun)?
Does it have (nouns)?
Does it live in (noun)?
Does it eat (noun)?**

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Discussion Questions.

Discuss the questions in pairs.

Student A.

What does 'endangered' mean?
What can we do to help endangered animals?
Are there any endangered animals in your country?
What are the effects of losing different species of animals?
What does 'extinct' mean?

Student B.

What's the difference between 'endangered' and 'extinct'?
Which animals are endangered?
What are some reasons animals are endangered?
Does it matter if animals are endangered? Why?
Can we really help endangered animals?

Endangered Animals.
Dialogue.

Morning, Dr. Carter. Thanks for joining us today.

Good morning! I'm glad to be here.

Can you explain what it means for a species to be endangered?

An endangered species is one at serious risk of becoming extinct.

What are the main threats to their habitats?

Deforestation, climate change, and illegal hunting destroy their homes.

Could you give an example of a species facing these threats?

Tigers are vulnerable due to poaching and losing their forest habitat.

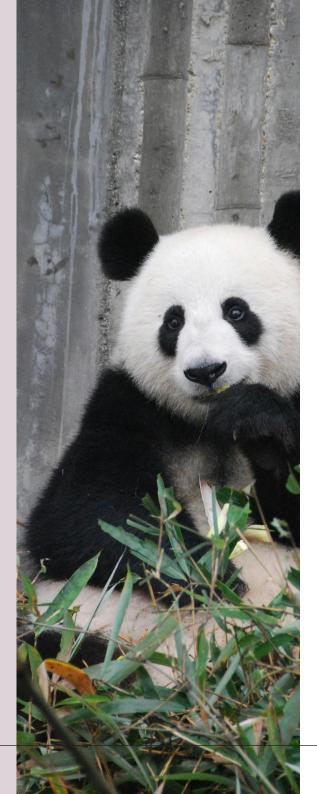How does overfishing affect marine life?

It disrupts ecosystems and puts many species at risk.

What role do humans play in helping these animals?

We can support wildlife groups and reduce pollution.

Thank you, Dr. Carter. Your insights are invaluable!

Thank you! Every action helps protect biodiversity.

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Worksheet.

Complete each sentence with a word from the list.

poaching   climate change   hunting   vulnerable   deforestation   wildlife   endangered   species   biodiversity   risk

extinct   conservation   habitat   illegal   predator   pollution   overfishing   ecosystem   protect   sustainable

01. Tigers are an _____ species because of hunting and habitat loss.

02. Dinosaurs became _____ millions of years ago.

03. It's important to _____ animals from harm.

04. Forest fires can destroy an animal's natural _____.

05. _____ is cutting down large areas of forests.

06. Some _____ are disappearing because of pollution in rivers.

07. Illegal _____ kills animals for their skins and tusks.

08. Climate change affects _____ like polar bears and penguins.

09. _____ includes animals, birds, and plants in their natural homes.

10. We need to stop _____, which reduces the number of fish.

11. _____ causes higher temperatures and melting ice caps.

12. Sharks are often seen as a dangerous _____ in the sea.

13. Many animals are in _____ because of human activities.

14. Pollution and _____ habitats threaten many animal lives.

15. Recycling helps build a more _____ environment for everyone.

16. Protecting _____ helps keep balance in nature.

17. It is _____ to hunt some endangered animals for trade.

18. Animals _____ to their environment to survive new challenges.

19. Building roads through rainforests can _____ animal habitats.

20. Pollution is a big _____ to plants and animals.

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Reading.

Endangered Animals Worldwide.

The giant panda, native to China, is one of the most iconic and endangered animals in the world. With only around 1,800 left in the wild, their population has significantly declined due to deforestation and habitat loss. Conservation initiatives led by organizations like the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) focus on preserving their habitats and planting bamboo forests. These efforts aim to mitigate the effects of deforestation and provide a sustainable environment for pandas to thrive.

African elephants are majestic creatures, yet they are heavily targeted by illegal hunting and poaching for their ivory tusks. Their population has plummeted by 30% in the past seven years, and it is estimated that only around 415,000 elephants remain in the wild. Conservation efforts, including anti-poaching initiatives and international bans on ivory, play a crucial role in combating this threat. By raising awareness and implementing stricter regulations, we can safeguard these magnificent animals and preserve their natural ecosystems.

The leatherback sea turtle faces multiple challenges, including climate change, pollution, and overfishing. It is estimated that there has been a 90% decline in their population over the past three generations. Rising temperatures impact nesting sites, while pollution and plastic debris pose significant threats to their marine habitat. Additionally, accidental capture in fishing nets further endangers their survival. Conservation efforts involve educating local communities, implementing sustainable fishing practices, and protecting nesting beaches.

Comprehension Questions.

01. What are the main threats to the giant panda's survival?

_____

02. How many giant pandas are estimated to remain in the wild?

_____

03. What organization is involved in conservation efforts for the giant panda?

_____

04. Why are African elephants targeted by illegal hunters?

_____

05. What has happened to the African elephant population over the past seven years?

_____

06. Name one key conservation strategy used to protect African elephants.

_____

07. What are the primary challenges faced by leatherback sea turtles?

_____

08. How has the leatherback sea turtle population changed?

_____

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Speaking.

Reporter

You work for the BBC and have been assigned to interview a wildlife biologist about an endangered species of animal. Your goal is to gather information about the animal, its current population status, conservation efforts, and any challenges it faces.

Wildlife Biologist

You are a wildlife biologist who specializes in the study of an endangered species of animal. You have been approached by a BBC reporter who wants to learn more about the species and its conservation. Your goal is to provide accurate information about the animal.

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Debate.

Scenario

A large car manufacturer 'Jaguar' is going to open a new car battery plant on greenbelt land and a protected forest in the UK. The plant will have to remove and destroy a large part of the forest, up to 50 football pitches in size, where many protected species and animals currently live in the forest.

Local Councillor

You are the local councillor, you are holding a meeting between the car manufacturer, Jaguar, and Greenpeace. You are discussing whether or not to allow for a protected forest to be turned in into a new car battery plant. Listen to both the Jaguar and Greenpeace representatives views and reasons and once fully clear come to a decision on whether or not the factory should be built. Give reasons for your choice.

Jaguar Representative

You are a representative of a large industrial company that wants to build an enormous factory in the forest. Your main objective is to highlight the economic benefits and job opportunities that the factory would bring to the region. You believe that the forest is underutilized and the factory would provide much-needed development and growth. Emphasize the potential for increased revenue, technological advancements, and the overall positive impact on the local economy.

Greenpeace Representative

You are an environmental activist representing Greenpeace. Your main goal is to protect the forest and its inhabitants. You believe that building an enormous factory would have detrimental effects on the environment, including the destruction of habitats for protected species. Your arguments revolve around the importance of preserving biodiversity, maintaining a sustainable ecosystem, and promoting alternative, eco-friendly solutions. Stress the long-term consequences and advocate for the forest's protection.

Endangered Animals.
Word Cards.

endangered	extinct	protect	habitat
deforestation	species	hunting	wildlife
biodiversity	poaching	climate change	ecosystem
vulnerable	illegal	conservation	predator
risk	pollution	overfishing	species
destroy	threaten	adapt	sustainable

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Answer Key.

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01. endangered
02. extinct
03. protect
04. habitat
05. deforestation
06. species
07. poaching
08. wildlife
09. biodiversity
10. overfishing
11., climate change
12. predator
13. risk
14. destroying
15. sustainable
16. conservation
17. illegal
18. adapt
19. destroy
20. threat

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01. Deforestation and habitat loss are the main threats to the giant panda's survival.
02. There are only around 1,800 giant pandas left in the wild.
03. The World Wildlife Fund (WWF) is involved in conservation efforts for the giant panda.
04. African elephants are targeted for their ivory tusks.
05. The population has decreased by 30%.
06. Anti-poaching initiatives are a key conservation strategy to protect African elephants.
07. Climate change, pollution, and overfishing are the primary challenges faced by leatherback sea turtles.
08. The leatherback sea turtle population has declined by 90%.

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