

Vocabulary

Environmental issues (1)

1. Read each definition. Then circle the letter of the correct answer.

1. Huge fires damage and ruin lots of trees and cause this.

- a. coral reefs b. deforestation

2. Global warming is an example in a change of this.

- a. climate b. biodiversity

3. Pollution can damage these sharp creatures under the surface of the sea.

- a. ozone layer b. coral reefs

4. We need plenty of rain to avoid this dry condition.

- a. climate change b. drought

5. The sun's rays are filtered through this.

- a. carbon emission b. ozone layer

6. Not smoking can increase the number of years you live.

- a. life expectancy b. biodiversity

7. Cars do this when they burn gasoline.

- a. climate change b. carbon emissions

8. The rain forest of Brazil has many kinds of plants and animals. This is an example of this.

- a. biodiversity b. deforestation



Vocabulary

Environmental issues (2)

2. Read the first sentence of each pair. Then complete the second sentence with the correct word or phrase from the box.

carbon emissions	climate	drought	life expectancy
coral reefs	ozone layer	deforestation	biodiversity

1. Roberto doesn't have a car.

He says he doesn't want to pollute the air with carbon emissions.

2. My parents are building a house using only plastic, metal, and glass.

They think _____ is a serious problem, they don't want to use wood.

3. This summer the weather has been very hot and dry.

We are having a serious _____.

4. Sunburn may become more of a problem in the future.

This is because the _____ is getting thinner.

5. The average temperature in the Arctic is going up.

This part of the world is experiencing _____ change.

6. People in the United States get better medical care now than they did a 100

years ago. _____ in the United States has gone up a lot since 1900.

7. Rain forests have thousands of different kinds of plants and animals.

This is an example of _____.

8. Some tropical fish need a very special environment to survive.

Some _____ are no longer good homes for these fish.

