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#### N THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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I'm a real animal lover. I'm fascinated by the whole animal kingdom. I loved animals when I was a kid. I used to read every book I could find on animals. I knew all the different animal species. The most exciting thing for me was going to the zoo. I would spend hours just watching the animals walk around, sit, or even sleep. When I was older, I went on a safari to Tanzania. I saw real wild animals in the wild. Everyone should do this once in their lives. Looking at animals in their natural habitat is a real honour. Now I'm worried about the future of many animals. Some of my favourite animals are in danger of dying out. We really need to change our lifestyle so our children can have the chance of seeing animals in the wild.

# R LISTENING GAP FILL

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# **STUDENT A's QUESTIONS** (Write your own questions)

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# **STUDENT B's QUESTIONS** (Write your own questions)

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#### STUDENT ANIMALS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about animals in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1	STUDENT 2	STUDENT 3
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.



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Write about animals for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.

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### HOMEWORK

**1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

**2. INTERNET INFO:** Search the Internet and find more information about animals. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about animals. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**4. ANIMALS POSTER** Make a poster about animals. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

**5. MY ANIMALS LESSON:** Make your own English lesson on animals. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

**6. ONLINE SHARING:** Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on animals. Share your findings with the class.