

VOCABULARY

AND

READING

Geographical features

1 In pairs, discuss the questions. Then read the article and check your ideas.

- 1 How old is the Earth?
- 2 What's happening to the Earth's weather at the moment?

2 Read the article again and choose the best heading for each paragraph.

- A Good news in one part of the world
- B Problems for the planet
- C The age of the Earth
- D How the planet changes

1. C
2. D
3. B
4. A

1. 4.6 billion years old

2. The weather is changing faster than usual. It's getting wetter in some places and drier in others, and there are more storms.

3 Match the words in **blue** in the article to the photos A–I. Listen and check. Then repeat.



- a. Desert b. hills c. volcano d. sea e. Lake
f. river g. mountains h. forest i. valley

4 Complete each sentence with the correct word from Exercise 3.

- 1 Not many plants and animals can live in _____ because they are very dry. *deserts / hills*
- 2 Many _____ have snow on top of them all year. *mountains / valleys*
- 3 There's a _____ near my home, and I like going fishing there. *river / sea*
- 4 There were so many trees in the _____ that it was impossible to see the sky. *forest / lake*
- 5 My friend and I cycled to the _____ for a swim. *lake / volcano*

1. Deserts
2. Mountains
3. River
4. Forest
5. lake



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3 Match the words in **blue** in the article to the photos A–I. Listen and check. Then repeat.





PRONUNCIATION

th: /θ/ and /ð/



6 Listen to the sounds θ and ð and repeat them. Then put the words in the box into the correct column.

north	other	south
that	there	these
thing	think	this

θ earth	ð weather



12 Listen and check. Then repeat.

earth	weather
North	Other
South	That
Thing	There
think	These
-	this

GRAMMAR

Verbs we don't usually use in the continuous

1 Find these verbs in the article on page 14 and underline them. What tense are they in?

believe	hope	know	like
own	think	understand	

The verbs above are about thinking, feeling and owning things. We don't usually use them in the continuous form.

2 Which of these words are also about thinking, feeling and owning things?

belong to	buy	climb	feel	hate
have	love	mean	need	prefer
run	sing	want	work	

Belong to , hate , have , love , prefer , need , want

Present simple

3 Complete the sentences using the present simple or present continuous of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Can you turn the TV off? I (hate) that programme!
- 2 Mr Jones (want) to talk to you. Are you free now?
- 3 Why (you sing)? I (need) to study!
- 4 That book (belong) to me. It's not my friend's.
- 5 I (love) this T-shirt. Can I buy it, Mum?
- 6 I can't talk now, sorry. I (run).

4 Correct the mistakes in the sentences.



- 1 There are things in my bag that I'm needing at the moment.
- 2 The weather's cold at the moment, but I'm preferring it like that.
- 3 I'm thinking the party was great.
- 4 My brother is liking summer and I'm liking winter.
- 5 Get into the pool with me! The water is feeling great.

1. Hate
2. Wants
3. Are you singing , need
4. Belongs
5. Love
6. am running

1. I Need
2. I Prefer
3. I think
4. My brother likes
5. The water feels great

5 Use the prompts to write questions beginning *Do you ... or Are you ...*. Then walk around the class and ask people your questions.

own / a bike?

learn to / play an instrument?

like / cabbage?

do / an art project at the moment?

think / English is easy?

plan to / do something interesting this weekend?

love / watching TV?

need / study for an exam?

1. Do you own a bike?
2. Are you learning to play an instrument?
3. Do you like cabbage?
4. Are you doing an art project at the moment?
5. Do you think English is easy?
6. Are you planning to do some thing interesting this weekend?
7. Do you love watching TV?
8. Are you studying for an exam at the moment?

READING

- 1 Look at the picture below. In pairs, write down three things you know about pandas. Read the article once to check your ideas.
- 2 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?
 - 1 The writer helped to look after giant pandas on her trip.
 - 2 It's possible to find wild pandas in several countries.
 - 3 Pandas only eat bamboo.
 - 4 Baby pandas are very light when they are born.
 - 5 Pandas start eating bamboo at the age of 18 months.
 - 6 Scientists know exactly how many wild pandas there are.
 - 7 It's possible to see a panda in Mexico.

1. T
2. F -pandas are only found in the mountains of central China.
3. F- They sometimes eat other plants or small animals.
4. T
5. F -They start eating bamboo when they are about 4 months old.
6. F -They think there are about 1500 to 2000.
7. T

VOCABULARY Animals

3 Match the words in the box to the photos A-J. Listen and check. Then repeat.



dolphin	elephant	giraffe
monkey	parrot	penguin
polar bear	snake	
tiger	whale	

- A. Monkey
- B. Elephant
- C. Snake
- D. Polar bear
- E. Whale
- F. Giraffe
- G. Tiger
- H. Parrot
- I. Penguin
- J. dolphin

4 Answer the questions about the animals in Exercise 3.

- 1 Where do the animals come from?
- 2 Where do they live (sea, mountains, forest)?
- 3 Which are dangerous?
- 4 Look at each photo carefully. Are the animals in a zoo or are they wild?
- 5 How many other animals can you name in English?

1. Monkeys come from many countries in Africa, South America and Asia; elephants come from Africa and Asia; snakes are on every continent; polar bears come from the Arctic which includes parts of Canada, Russia, Alaska, Greenland and Norway; whales live in the oceans; giraffes come from Africa; tigers come from Asia; parrots come from Africa, Asia and South America; penguins come from southern Africa, the tip of South America, Australia, New Zealand and Antarctica; dolphins live in seas around the world.

2. sea: dolphin, whale (penguins and polar bears live close to the sea) – mountains: monkey, parrot, snake, tiger – other: giraffe.

3. monkeys, elephants, snakes, polar bears, tigers.

4. They look to be wild.

5. Your own answers.

LISTENING



PREPARE FOR THE EXAM

Listening Part 5

- 1** You will hear Gina talking to her uncle about some photos of animals. Where did he take each photo? For each question, choose the correct answer.



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Photographs

0 lion *D*

1 monkey

2 snake

3 penguin

4 dolphin

5 elephant

Countries

A Argentina

B England

C India

D Kenya

E Mexico

F New Zealand

G Scotland

H South Africa



- 2** Listen again and check.

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1.C 2.B 3.H 4.G 5.E

- 3** Work in pairs. Look at the photos of the two animals below. Use the prompts 1–9 to write questions about these animals.

- 1 What kind of animal / it?
- 2 Where / from?
- 3 Where / live?
- 4 What / eat?
- 5 How much / weigh?
- 6 How many / left in the wild?
- 7 What / babies / called?
- 8 How many babies / female have?
- 9 How long / baby stay with / mother?

1. What kind of animal is it?
2. Where is it from?
3. Where does it live?
4. What does it eat?
5. How much does it weigh/
6. How many are left in the wild?
7. What are its babies called?
8. How many babies do the females have?
9. How long do the babies stay with the mother?

WRITING



PREPARE TO WRITE

An article about an animal

GET READY Underline the prepositions *between, about, around* and *including* in the article about pandas on page 16. Think about their meaning. Which two have the same meaning in the article?

Complete the sentences with *between, about, around* or *including*.

- 1 This competition is for anyone _____ the ages of 10 and 14.
- 2 There are _____ 40,000 African lions left in the wild.
- 3 All my friends, _____ Tariq, are interested in animals.
- 4 The zoo is closed _____ January and March.
- 5 I've got lots of pets, _____ a rabbit and two cats.

1 , 4 : Between

2 : About/around

3 , 5 : including

NATIONAL PARKS

1 In pairs, discuss the questions with your partner.

- 1 What is a national park?
- 2 Have you ever been to one?
- 3 Can you name a national park in your country?
- 4 What can you see there?

2 Where is Yellowstone National Park? What do you know about it? Read the text and check your ideas.

3 Match the texts 1-5 with the photos A-E.

1. Your own answers.

2. The USA in the state of Wyoming ,
Montana and Idaho.

3. 1.d 2.e 3.b 4.a 5.c

4 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- 1 Yellowstone is part of one state in the USA.
- 2 Park rangers protect the animals and plants in Yellowstone.
- 3 Yellowstone has a famous glacier.
- 4 The park contains very old plants.
- 5 The geysers in the park are popular with tourists.
- 6 You can't go in the water in the park.
- 7 People regularly see bison in the park.
- 8 The temperature can be very different on summer days and nights.

1. F – It is in 3 states.
2. T
3. F – Glaciers are not mentioned.
4. T
5. T
6. F – You can swim or go canoeing.
7. T
8. T

5 Find words in the text that match the definitions.

- 1 different from others (paragraph 1)
- 2 keep safe (paragraph 1)
- 3 very old (paragraph 2)
- 4 fantastic (paragraph 2)
- 5 travel in a small type of boat (paragraph 3)
- 6 animals in general (paragraph 4)
- 7 a meal outside (paragraph 5)

6 What can you see on a walk in Yellowstone Park?
Make a list. Then, listen and check your ideas.

1. Unusual 2. look after 3. ancient 4. amazing
5. Go canoeing 6. creatures 7. picnic

A canyon, mountains, geysers, volcanic rocks, fields, plants, wild flowers, hot water pools, a waterfall, lots of animals including sheep, foxes and bison.



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Listen and complete the information about two guided walks in Yellowstone Park.

	Mount Washburn	Mystic Falls
Leave hotel at	10 am	⁴ _____ am
Transport	bus	bus
Lunch	sandwiches, ¹ _____ and cold drinks	hamburgers and chicken
Things to take	a light jacket and a camera	a ⁵ _____
Landscape you see	the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone and the Teton Mountains	In Biscuit Basin there are geysers and hot-water pools and a ⁶ _____ in Mystic Falls.
Animals you see	² _____ and maybe foxes	bison
Arrive back at	4 pm	⁷ _____ pm
After trip activity	a ³ _____ about geography	a meeting to share photos

1. fruit
2. Sheep
3. Film
4. 9(nine)
5. Notebook
6. Waterfall
7. 6(six)