

Danger! Humans!

When an animal attacks a person, there are always stories about it on TV and in the newspapers. But people are usually more dangerous than animals. Every year, we kill approximately 100 million sharks, but sharks only attack three or four people, and crocodiles six or seven. More people die in car accidents!

Animals aren't really a problem for people, but we are a problem for animals. We eat millions of tonnes of fish and meat every year. But people don't kill animals just for food. They also hunt them for fur or for fun. While you're reading this, people are hunting whales in the Arctic, tigers in Asia and elephants in Africa.

At the moment, animals are becoming extinct in every part of the world. The 'red list' of animals in danger includes insects, frogs, chameleons, fish and bigger animals, like bears and whales. We aren't killing all these animals directly, but they are dying and becoming extinct because of human actions. Our pollution and construction is changing the climate and animals' habitats, and time is running out for some animals. It's important to change our actions now and save the animals!

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Part One (14pts)

A/- Reading Comprehension (07pts)

Read the text carefully and do the following activities:

Activity One (02pts): Choose a, b, c or d to complete the following sentences:

- 1- Sharks attack onlypeople every year.
a)- seven or eight b)- a hundred c)- three or four ✓ d)- ten
- 2- People kill animals
a)- for fur, meat or fun ✓ b)- for protection c)- for experiments d)- just for food

Activity Two (03pts): Read the following statements and write 'true', 'false' or 'not mentioned'.

- 1- Car accidents kill more people than animals do.
- 2- There are about 6000 wild tigers living in the world.
- 3- Pollution does not affect the climate and animals' habitats.

Activity Three (02pts): Match each word with its appropriate definition.

Words	Definitions
- dangerous	- natural environment of an animal or a plant.
- hunt	- make or keep somebody or something safe.
- habitat	- causing damage, suffering, loss, injury or risk.
- save	- chase wild animals to kill or capture them for food or fun.

B/- Mastery of Language (07pts)

Activity One (02pts): Correct the underlined mistakes.

Hunters kills tigers for its beautiful fur. As a result, there are not much tigers left in the word.

Activity Two (03pts): Complete the following sentences with the correct relative pronoun: "who, where, whose or which".

- 1- People must stop destroying rainforestspandas live.
- 2- Gorillas are wild animalsare in danger of extinction.
- 3- Peoplefish out of season have to be punished.

Activity Three (02pts): Find in the text four words that have the following sounds:

<u>/ ei/ (place)</u>	<u>/ ai/ (wild)</u>
1-	1-
2-	2-

Part Two (06pts): Written Expression

You have watched a documentary about endangered species. You feel sorry for and concerned with these animals being killed. Write an article for the school magazine about animals in danger of extinction to raise your classmates' awareness about this problem.

Write about:

- causes (human, natural...)
- consequences (disappearance of some animals...)
- possible solutions (individual, collective and governmental measures...)