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School teaches baby orangutans survival skills

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THE ARTICLE

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1602/160210-orangutans.html>

Baby orangutans in Indonesia are going to school to learn skills like finding food and making a nest. The school hopes the skills the young apes learn will mean they can be reintroduced into the wild and survive on their own. The school was set up by International Animal Rescue (IAR). There are currently 102 orangutans living at the centre. A spokesperson said: "We are committed to rescuing and rehabilitating as many orangutans as we can and giving them a second chance to live safely in their natural environment." Not all of them attend the school because some have suffered long-term injuries so they can never go back to the forest. It could take up to eight years to get others ready to return to the wild.

The IAR centre cares for animals that have been rescued from the wild. Some of the baby orangutans lost their parents because of illegal poaching, habitat loss and forest fires. The IAR said they "are suffering and dying because of the systematic destruction of the rainforest, primarily for palm oil production". Other baby orangutans have been stolen from their mothers to be sold as pets. There are also adult orangutans at the centre. These have spent most of their lives in captivity. The World Wildlife Fund estimates there are around 45,000 to 69,000 orangutans in Borneo, but their numbers are decreasing because their forests are being destroyed by illegal logging and palm oil companies.

Sources: <http://news.sky.com/story/1637948/young-orangutans-get-wheeled-to-forest-school>
<http://news.yahoo.com/orangutan-school-teaches-young-primates-survival-skills-131443906.html>
<http://www.treehugger.com/animals/watch-these-adorable-baby-orangutans-go-forest-school-video.html>

WARM-UPS

1. ORANGUTANS: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about orangutans. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

orangutans / Indonesia / skills / survive / currently / second chance / injuries / wild / rescued / illegal poaching / destruction / rainforest / captivity / logging / palm oil

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. ORANGUTAN SCHOOL: What might orangutans do at school? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	How to teach them?	How much do they need teaching?
Finding food		
Making a nest		
Climbing trees		
Protecting themselves		
Making friends		
Other _____		

4. BRIGHT: Students A **strongly** believe the future is bright for the survival of animals; Students B **strongly** believe it isn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. NEW SKILLS: Rank these with your partner. Put the new skills you want most at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- computer skills
- leadership skills
- English skills
- job skills
- social skills
- sports skills
- networking skills
- driving skills

6. LEARN: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "learn". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1602/160210-orangutans.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- | | |
|---|-------|
| a. Orangutans are going to school to learn to make a nest. | T / F |
| b. There are over 100 orangutans at a centre in Indonesia. | T / F |
| c. Orangutans who are injured may never return to the wild. | T / F |
| d. It will take two years to get the orangutans back into the wild. | T / F |
| e. Some of the orangutans lost parents in forest fires. | T / F |
| f. Rainforests are being cut down for coconut oil production. | T / F |
| g. The centre will give away some orangutans as pets. | T / F |
| h. The WWF says there is a maximum of 6,900 orangutans in the wild. | T / F |

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|----------------|----------------|
| 1. skills | a. looks after |
| 2. survive | b. presently |
| 3. set up | c. guesses |
| 4. currently | d. started |
| 5. return | e. mainly |
| 6. cares for | f. abilities |
| 7. rescued | g. going down |
| 8. primarily | h. go back |
| 9. estimates | i. live |
| 10. decreasing | j. saved |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. going to school to learn skills | a. term injuries |
| 2. survive on | b. from the wild |
| 3. some have suffered long- | c. to the wild |
| 4. It could take up | d. lives in captivity |
| 5. ready to return | e. to eight years |
| 6. animals that have been rescued | f. by illegal logging |
| 7. destruction | g. to be sold as pets |
| 8. stolen from their mothers | h. like finding food |
| 9. These have spent most of their | i. of the rainforest |
| 10. forests are being destroyed | j. their own |

GAP FILL

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1602/160210-orangutans.html>

Baby orangutans in Indonesia are going to school to learn (1) _____ like finding food and making a nest. The school hopes the skills the young (2) _____ learn will mean they can be reintroduced into the wild and (3) _____ on their own. The school was set up by International Animal Rescue (IAR). There are (4) _____ 102 orangutans living at the centre. A spokesperson said: "We are committed to (5) _____ and rehabilitating as many orangutans as we can and giving them a second (6) _____ to live safely in their natural environment." Not all of them attend the school because some have suffered long-(7) _____ injuries so they can never go back to the forest. It could take up to eight years to get others (8) _____ to return to the wild.

survive
skills
rescuing
term
apes
ready
chance
currently

The IAR centre cares for animals that have been rescued from the (9) _____. Some of the baby orangutans lost their parents because of (10) _____ poaching, habitat loss and forest fires. The IAR said they "are (11) _____ and dying because of the systematic destruction of the rainforest, (12) _____ for palm oil production". Other baby orangutans have been stolen from their mothers to be sold as (13) _____. There are also adult orangutans at the centre. These have spent most of their lives in (14) _____. The World Wildlife Fund (15) _____ there are around 45,000 to 69,000 orangutans in Borneo, but their numbers are decreasing because their forests are being destroyed by (16) _____ logging and palm oil companies.

pets
illegal
estimates
primarily
wild
illegal
suffering
captivity

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) orangutans in Indonesia are going to school to learn skills like finding food and _____
 - a. making a mess
 - b. making a nest
 - c. taking a rest
 - d. taking the rest
- 2) the skills the young apes learn will mean they can be reintroduced into the wild and _____
 - a. survival on their own
 - b. survive on they're own
 - c. survive on their alone
 - d. survive on their own
- 3) rehabilitating as many orangutans as we can and giving them _____
 - a. a seconds chance
 - b. a second change
 - c. a second chance
 - d. a second chances
- 4) Not all of them attend the school because some have suffered _____
 - a. long-term injury
 - b. long-time injuries
 - c. long-term injuries
 - d. long-time injury is
- 5) It could take up to eight years to get others ready to _____
 - a. return of the wild
 - b. return for the wild
 - c. return at the wild
 - d. return to the wild
- 6) baby orangutans lost their parents because of illegal poaching, habitat loss _____
 - a. and forests fires
 - b. and forested fires
 - c. and forestry fires
 - d. and forest fires
- 7) they are suffering and dying because of the systematic destruction _____
 - a. at the rainforest
 - b. for the rainforest
 - c. of the rainforest
 - d. from the rainforest
- 8) Other baby orangutans have been stolen from their mothers to _____
 - a. be soiled as pets
 - b. be sold as pets
 - c. be selling as pets
 - d. be scold as pets
- 9) These have spent most of their _____
 - a. lives in captivity
 - b. lives on captivity
 - c. lives of captivity
 - d. lives by captivity
- 10) their numbers are decreasing because their forests are being destroyed _____
 - a. by illegally logging
 - b. by illegal logging in
 - c. by illegal logging
 - d. by illegally log-in

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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Baby orangutans in Indonesia (1) _____ school to learn skills like finding food and making a nest. The school hopes the skills the young apes (2) _____ they can be reintroduced into the wild and survive on their own. The school (3) _____ International Animal Rescue (IAR). There are currently 102 orangutans living at the centre. A spokesperson said: "We (4) _____ rescuing and rehabilitating as many orangutans as we can and giving them a second (5) _____ safely in their natural environment." Not all of them attend the school because some have suffered long-term injuries so they can never go back to the forest. It (6) _____ eight years to get others ready to return to the wild.

The IAR centre cares for animals that (7) _____ from the wild. Some of the baby orangutans lost their parents because of illegal poaching, habitat loss (8) _____. The IAR said they "are suffering and dying (9) _____ systematic destruction of the rainforest, primarily for palm oil production". Other baby orangutans have been stolen from their mothers (10) _____ pets. There are also adult orangutans at the centre. These have spent most of their lives in captivity. The World Wildlife Fund estimates (11) _____ 45,000 to 69,000 orangutans in Borneo, but their numbers are decreasing because their forests are being destroyed (12) _____ and palm oil companies.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1602/160210-orangutans.html>

1. What are baby orangutans learning to make at a school?

2. How many orangutans are there at the IAR centre?

3. What kind of chance does the IAR want to give to the orangutans?

4. What do some orangutans have that stops them from going to school?

5. How long does it take to return the orangutans to the wild?

6. What did some of the baby orangutans lose?

7. What is being destroyed for palm oil production?

8. What are some orangutans being sold as?

9. Where have many adult orangutans spent most of their lives?

10. Who estimated that there are up to 69,000 orangutans in the wild?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1602/160210-orangutans.html>

1. What are baby orangutans learning to make at a school?
 - a) breakfast
 - b) a mess
 - c) nests
 - d) a shelter
2. How many orangutans are there at the IAR centre?
 - a) 102
 - b) 103
 - c) 104
 - d) 105
3. What kind of chance does the IAR want to give to the orangutans?
 - a) a lucky chance
 - b) a second chance
 - c) a final chance
 - d) a big
4. What do some orangutans have that stops them from going to school?
 - a) a disease
 - b) behavioural problems
 - c) skills
 - d) injuries
5. How long does it take to return the orangutans to the wild?
 - a) up to 4 years
 - b) up to 6 years
 - c) up to 8 years
 - d) up to 10 years
6. What did some of the baby orangutans lose?
 - a) their hearing
 - b) their parents
 - c) skills
 - d) their eyesight
7. What is being destroyed for palm oil production?
 - a) coconuts
 - b) factories
 - c) profits
 - d) rainforests
8. What are some orangutans being sold as?
 - a) a bargain
 - b) pets
 - c) food
 - d) security guards
9. Where have many adult orangutans spent most of their lives?
 - a) in Malaysia
 - b) in captivity
 - c) underground
 - d) in zoos overseas
10. Who estimated that there are up to 69,000 orangutans in the wild?
 - a) the WWF
 - b) Greenpeace
 - c) the IMF
 - d) the WHO

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – English skills

You think English skills are most important in life. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their skills aren't so important. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): leadership skills, computer skills or driving skills.

Role B – Leadership skills

You think leadership skills are most important in life. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their skills aren't so important. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): English skills, computer skills or driving skills.

Role C – Computer skills

You think computer skills are most important in life. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their skills aren't so important. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): leadership skills, English skills or driving skills.

Role D – Driving skills

You think driving skills are most important in life. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their skills aren't so important. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): leadership skills, computer skills or English skills.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1602/160210-orangutans.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'wild' and 'survive'.

wild	survive
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• finding• mean• own• 102• chance• eight	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• cares• parents• primarily• pets• spent• logging
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ORANGUTANS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about orangutans 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.

ORANGUTANS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What did you think when you read the headline?
- 2) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'orangutan'?
- 3) What do you think about the orangutan school?
- 4) How would you teach an orangutan to find food?
- 5) What other things will the orangutans need to learn?
- 6) Would you like to work at the orangutan school? Why?
- 7) What are the differences between apes and monkeys?
- 8) Do you think the baby orangutans are happier in school or in the wild?
- 9) Why would it take eight years to train an orangutan?
- 10) What three adjectives best describe this article?

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ORANGUTANS DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 11) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- 12) What do you know about orangutans?
- 13) What should happen about illegal poaching?
- 14) What things cause habitat loss?
- 15) What do you think of the palm oil companies?
- 16) What do you think of people keeping orangutans as pets?
- 17) What work does the World Wildlife Fund do?
- 18) What could you do to help the orangutans?
- 19) How can we stop illegal logging?
- 20) What questions would you like to ask an orangutan expert?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) learning | (b) learn | (c) learns | (d) learnt |
| 2. | (a) means | (b) meaning | (c) meant | (d) mean |
| 3. | (a) lonely | (b) own | (c) alone | (d) lone |
| 4. | (a) has | (b) was | (c) as | (d) is |
| 5. | (a) have | (b) are | (c) done | (d) been |
| 6. | (a) up | (b) for | (c) at | (d) by |
| 7. | (a) saving | (b) endangered | (c) delivery | (d) rescued |
| 8. | (a) poaching | (b) coaching | (c) poached | (d) coached |
| 9. | (a) primary | (b) primarily | (c) primed | (d) primes |
| 10. | (a) by | (b) of | (c) as | (d) to |
| 11. | (a) channels | (b) cruises | (c) estimates | (d) furnishes |
| 12. | (a) be | (b) are | (c) is | (d) been |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. going to school to learn slslik
2. uvirsev on their own
3. There are ynurelrtc 102 orangutans
4. live safely in their tnrlaua environment
5. some have frfuesde
6. long-term sjirneiu

Paragraph 2

7. animals that have been rcuseed
8. because of gilalle poaching
9. destruction of the tienorrrfsa
10. tonles from their mothers
11. spent most of their lives in tcipvyita
12. their forests are being yoetdsder

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1602/160210-orangutans.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () never go back to the forest. It could take up to eight years to get others ready to return to the wild.
- () dying because of the systematic destruction of the rainforest, primarily for palm oil
- () parents because of illegal poaching, habitat loss and forest fires. The IAR said they "are suffering and
- () there are around 45,000 to 69,000 orangutans in Borneo, but their numbers are
- () the school because some have suffered long-term injuries so they can
- () at the centre. A spokesperson said: "We are committed to rescuing and rehabilitating as many orangutans
- () decreasing because their forests are being destroyed by illegal logging and palm oil companies.
- () on their own. The school was set up by International Animal Rescue (IAR). There are currently 102 orangutans living
- () as we can and giving them a second chance to live safely in their natural environment." Not all of them attend
- () orangutans at the centre. These have spent most of their lives in captivity. The World Wildlife Fund estimates
- () a nest. The school hopes the skills the young apes learn will mean they can be reintroduced into the wild and survive
- () production". Other baby orangutans have been stolen from their mothers to be sold as pets. There are also adult
- (**1**) Baby orangutans in Indonesia are going to school to learn skills like finding food and making
- () The IAR centre cares for animals that have been rescued from the wild. Some of the baby orangutans lost their

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. Reintroduced own wild into on and the their survive .

2. living centre are orangutans the There 102 at currently .

3. second chance Giving to them live a safely .

4. suffered long have Some injuries term - .

5. to years eight to up take could It ready others get .

6. been that rescued the Animals have from wild .

7. their the parents baby orangutans Some lost of .

8. as Stolen mothers sold their be pets from to .

9. their captivity have of in These most lives spent .

10. forests illegal are logging being destroyed Their by .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1602/160210-orangutans.html>

Baby orangutans in Indonesia are *going / gone* to school to learn skills like finding food and making a *mess / nest*. The school *hopes / hoping* the skills the young apes learn will mean they can *be / been* reintroduced into the wild and *survival / survive* on their own. The school was set up by International Animal Rescue (IAR). There are *currently / currency* 102 orangutans living at the centre. A spokesperson said: "We are committed *at / to* rescuing and rehabilitating as many orangutans as we can and *giving / given* them a second chance to live safely in their natural environment." Not all of them attend the school because some have suffered *long-term / long-time* injuries so they can never go back to the forest. It could take up to eight years to get others ready to return to *the / a* wild.

The IAR centre *cares / caring* for animals that have been *rescues / rescued* from the wild. Some of the baby orangutans lost their parents because of *illegally / illegal* poaching, habitat loss and *forested / forest* fires. The IAR said they "are suffering and dying because of the systematic destruction of the rainforest, *primary / primarily* for palm oil production". Other baby orangutans have been stolen from their mothers to be *selling / sold* as pets. There are *also / as* adult orangutans at the centre. These have spent most of their lives *in / on* captivity. The World Wildlife Fund estimates there are around 45,000 to 69,000 orangutans in Borneo, but their *number / numbers* are decreasing because *their / them* forests are being destroyed by illegal logging and palm oil companies.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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Baby orangutans and humans are going to school to learn skills like finding food and making nests. The school helps the skills they will learn well when they can be reintroduced into the wild and survive on their own. The school was set up by international animal rescuers (IAR). There are currently 102 orangutans living at the center. A spokesperson said: "We're committed to rescuing and rehabilitating many orangutans so we can send them to the next generation." Next time they attend the school because some have suffered long-term injuries so they can never go back to the forest. They could take up to eight years to get themselves ready to return to the wild.

The IAR center cares for animals that have been rescued from the wild. Some of the baby orangutans lost their parents because of illegal poaching, habitat loss and forest fires. The IAR said they "are suffering and dying because of the systematic destruction of their forests, primarily for palm oil production". The baby orangutans have been stolen from their mothers to be sold as pets. There are also dead orangutans at the center. These have spent most of their lives in captivity. The World Wildlife Fund estimates there are around 45,000 to 69,000 orangutans in Borneo, but their numbers are declining because their forests are being destroyed by illegal logging and palm oil companies.

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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baby orangutans in indonesia are going to school to learn skills like finding food and making a nest the school hopes the skills the young apes learn will mean they can be reintroduced into the wild and survive on their own the school was set up by international animal rescue (iar) there are currently 102 orangutans living at the centre a spokesperson said "we are committed to rescuing and rehabilitating as many orangutans as we can and giving them a second chance to live safely in their natural environment" not all of them attend the school because some have suffered long-term injuries so they can never go back to the forest it could take up to eight years to get others ready to return to the wild

the iar centre cares for animals that have been rescued from the wild some of the baby orangutans lost their parents because of illegal poaching habitat loss and forest fires the iar said they "are suffering and dying because of the systematic destruction of the rainforest primarily for palm oil production" other baby orangutans have been stolen from their mothers to be sold as pets there are also adult orangutans at the centre these have spent most of their lives in captivity the world wildlife fund estimates there are around 45000 to 69000 orangutans in borneo but their numbers are decreasing because their forests are being destroyed by illegal logging and palm oil companies

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1602/160210-orangutans.html>

Baby orangutans in Indonesia are going to school to learn skills like finding food and making a nest. The school hopes the skills the young apes learn will mean they can be reintroduced into the wild and survive on their own. The school was set up by International Animal Rescue (IAR). There are currently 102 orangutans living at the centre. A spokesperson said: "We are committed to rescuing and rehabilitating as many orangutans as we can and giving them a second chance to live safely in their natural environment." Not all of them attend the school because some have suffered long-term injuries so they can never go back to the forest. It could take up to eighty years to get others ready to return to the wild. The IAR centre cares for animals that have been rescued from the wild. Some of the baby orangutans lost their parents because of illegal poaching, habitat loss and forest fires. The IAR said they "are suffering and dying because of the systematic destruction of the rainforest, primarily for palm oil production". Other baby orangutans have been stolen from their mothers to be sold as pets. There are also adult orangutans at the centre. These have spent most of their lives in captivity. The World Wildlife Fund estimates there are around 45,000 to 69,000 orangutans in Borneo, but their numbers are decreasing because their forests are being destroyed by illegal logging and palm oil companies.

FREE WRITING

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Write about **orangutans** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner’s paper.

ACADEMIC WRITING

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Palm oil companies that illegally cut down trees should be put out of business.
Discuss.

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: Search the Internet and find out more about orangutans. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. ORANGUTANS: Make a poster about orangutans and other apes. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. HABITAT: Write a magazine article about how palm oil companies are destroying the habitat of orangutans. Include imaginary interviews with the CEO of a palm oil company and the head of the charity that rescues orangutans in Indonesia.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on orangutans. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to help them survive. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a T b T c T d F e T f F g F h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|----------------|----------------|
| 1. skills | a. abilities |
| 2. survive | b. live |
| 3. set up | c. started |
| 4. currently | d. presently |
| 5. return | e. go back |
| 6. cares for | f. looks after |
| 7. rescued | g. saved |
| 8. primarily | h. mainly |
| 9. estimates | i. guesses |
| 10. decreasing | j. going down |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. Nests
2. 102
3. A second chance
4. Injuries
5. Up to 8 years
6. Their parents
7. Rainforests
8. Pets
9. In captivity
10. The WWF

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. c 2. a 3. b 4. d 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. b 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)