

Extinction is Forever

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Before you read the book:

1. What does extinction mean?
2. Make a list of birds, animals or fish that you know are extinct.

Read to page 5

3. What is the main cause of species decline or extinction?
4. Look at the diagrams on page 2-3. What do you notice?

Read to page 17

5. Explain what deforestation is.
6. What happened to the Assam Rabbit?
7. Describe what happened in Hawaii once people arrived.
8. Why were there so many flightless birds in New Zealand?
9. What happened to the Dodo?
10. Make a list of all the ways that people contribute to the extinction of animals.

Read to page 32

11. In your own words explain what conservation is.
12. What are the four pillars?
13. Make a list of conservation organisations that are mentioned in the book or that you are aware of.
14. Do you think that conservation groups have an important role? Explain why you think this.
15. Explain what can be done to protect species from extinction.

Find the meaning of

- a. Exterminate b. slaughter c. endangered

Fast Finishers

- Create a one page presentation to raise awareness to save: Forests, Oceans or Wildlife
- Select a species, animal or plant that has become extinct. Create a presentation about your selected topic.
- Investigate one of the conservation organisations. Present your findings in an interesting way.
- Create a one page poster to raise awareness of the importance of conservation.