

Task 1

Answer the following questions.

1. Why have species of birds and animals disappeared?
2. What is the air polluted by?
3. Are rivers polluted?
4. Why are forests disappearing all over the world?
5. Can you see pollution at the seaside?
6. People are in danger, aren't they?
7. What are the most serious environmental problems now?

Task 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What can people do with rubbish instead of just throwing it away?
2. Why is recycling important nowadays?
3. How much of recyclable material is actually recycled? Why so little?
4. Are there recycling centres in your town / village? What do people usually take there?
5. Is packaging necessary? Why?
6. Why does packaging become litter?
7. Why is litter so dangerous in the countryside?
8. Is litter a big problem in your town / village? Why don't you and your friends organize a «clean-up day» to clear all the litter in the local park / outside the school?

Task 3

Translate into English.

Тысячи лет Земля кормила и поддерживала нас. Но человек уничтожает свою планету. Люди строят города, вырубают леса и убивают животных. Наши реки, земля и воздух отравлены. Загрязнение окружающей среды опасно для людей и дикой природы. Это международная катастрофа.

Task 4

Put the verbs into the correct form: the past continuous or past simple

Example: she(cook) dinner when the earthquake....(shake) the town. She was cooking dinner when the earthquake shook the town.

1. The fire(destroy)most of the buildings while he (sleep)
2. When they (travel) around the country they....(see) a tornado
- 3.The girl....(shake) with laughter when her mother....(come in)
- 4.It.....(rain) heavily when she...(leave) the house
- 5.Where....you....(stand) when you (hear) a scream?
- 6.When we.... (find) the puppy it.... (shake)
- 7.He...(write) about disaster wnhen I....(phone) him

Task 5

Use Passive voice.

Example I gave him a book. A book was given him by me

- 1.We understood him
- 2.He organized the party
- 3.They told us interesting stories
- 4.She brought me these textbooks
- 5.I cook dinner
- 6.They buy newspapers
- 7.He gives French lessons
- 8.She writes short stories