

The natural world and environment

1 Complete the sentences with the words in the box. Use the vocabulary map to help you.

change island plant range river sea tide warming waters wave

- 1 Many of the passengers on the ferry felt sick because of the rough ____.
- 2 Due to climate ____, the weather around the world is getting warmer.
- 3 The glass bottles that have been collected will be sent to a recycling ____.
- 4 Gases in the atmosphere are stopping heat escaping into space and are causing global ____.
- 5 The rising ____ is threatening homes and businesses close to the shore.
- 6 As we were flying over France, I could see a winding ____ and farms below.
- 7 As a result of the undersea earthquake, a huge tidal ____ flooded the area.
- 8 Nine of the ten highest mountains in the world are in the Himalayas mountain ____.
- 9 What could be better than a beach holiday on a tropical ____?
- 10 The coastal ____ near here are excellent for scuba diving.

2 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- 1 A bird had built a nest on the *branches / roots* of the tree.
- 2 More and more people are choosing *solar / sustainable* energy to heat their homes.
- 3 In the jungle, the explorers saw the *falls / waves* and stopped to get some drinking water.
- 4 At home, you should sort your *leaves / rubbish* into glass, aluminium and paper.
- 5 The sun went *down / out* at around 8 p.m. and soon the sky was dark.
- 6 In the woods, there was a lovely *clearing / pond* where we sat to have a picnic.
- 7 Water is made up *with / of* hydrogen and oxygen.
- 8 Air and water pollution are *damaging / disturbing* the environment.
- 9 We were still swimming when the tide came *in / up* and made our towels wet.
- 10 At my supermarket, there's a section with *organic / reusable* food.

3 Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the word in capitals.

- 1 Humans are responsible for the ____ of the planet. **DESTROY**
- 2 The ____ of the wildfire had lost their homes and were all in shock. **SURVIVE**
- 3 The accident should not have happened – it was completely _____. **AVOID**
- 4 Did you know that the sun is ____ to your skin and can cause cancer? **HARM**
- 5 What is the ____ of the water in the middle of the river? **DEEP**
- 6 K2, the world's second tallest mountain, has a ____ of 8,611 metres. **HIGH**
- 7 They ignored all the ____ about the dangerous current and nearly drowned. **WARN**
- 8 They're going to ____ this road as it's too narrow. **WIDE**

Answer key

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1 sea

2 change

3 plant

4 warming

5 tide

6 river

7 wave

8 range

9 island

10 waters

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1 branches

2 solar

3 falls

4 rubbish

5 down

6 clearing

7 of

8 damaging

9 in

10 organic

3

1 destruction

2 survivors

3 avoidable

4 harmful

5 depth

6 height

7 warnings

8 widen