

INTERMEDIATE PLUS UNIT 5

5.1 Nature

- 1** Complete the sentences with one nature word in each gap. The first letter of each word is given.
- After hours of cutting through the v_____ we finally reached the camp.
 - When visiting some countries it is advisable to have vaccinations against t_____ d_____.
 - I spent days staying with a tribe who live in tree houses in the forest c_____.
 - The adder is the only v_____ s_____ naturally found in the UK.
 - The Amazon r_____ covers an area of 5.5 million km².
 - Due to high rainfall in the region f_____ f_____ are very common. As a result, many people have moved to higher areas.
 - Headlice are a common p_____ in children. They are easily removed with a special shampoo.
 - The blue whale is well-known as the biggest c_____ on the planet.

- 2** Put the letters in the box in the correct order to make nature words. Then match them with the definitions 1–7.

dartoper secotyems tilreep ednagerend ipecess
reyp malmam dofo hianc

- an animal which is hunted by another animal

- the order of animals in which each is dependent on the one below for food

- all the animals and plants in a particular place and how they relate to each other

- a type of animal that drinks milk from its mother

- an animal that hunts other animals

- an animal which is at risk from extinction

- a cold-blooded animal that lays eggs

- 3** Replace the underlined words with a word or phrase with the same meaning.

- I learnt a lot from reading the account of my grandmother's life experiences. _____
- Her boss uses a lot of bad language.

- Some tortoises will easily live longer than a human. _____
- We've heard unproven stories about the existence of a new species. _____
- My uncle studied past and present human societies at university. _____
- They told us a very surprising story about their lives in the jungle. _____

5.2 Types of people

- 4** Match the types of people with the activities they would most like to take part in

bookworm foodie couch potato techie
sports fan beach bum news junkie film buff
music fan rebellious teenager

- a foreign language cinema festival

- a gourmet world food market

- a presentation of new technological gadgets.

- a concert

- a whole season of their favourite TV series

- an athletics competition

- a second-hand book fair

- hanging out with friends

- sunbathing and swimming in the sea

- two hours in bed in the morning on their smart phone

Describing people

5 Read the descriptions of people and write an adjective to describe them.

- 1 Mary gets worried if she doesn't arrive at the airport hours before her flight.

- 2 Mike buys things spontaneously without thinking about whether he needs them.

- 3 David wants to be a famous popstar.

- 4 Pauline is always smiling when I see her.

- 5 Roger loves telling people how good he is at playing the guitar.

- 6 Sometimes I have to tell Jack off for telling other children what do.

- 7 Everybody loves Susan. She always pays me a compliment when she arrives in the morning.

- 8 Don't worry, Andre is always on time.

Formal vs informal register

6 Find and correct the mistake in each conversation.

- 1 **A:** Are you all right about losing your wallet?
B: I'm a bit hacked away about it, actually. I thought it was in my coat pocket.
- 2 **A:** I should thank your dad for paying the bill at the restaurant last night.
B: Don't worry about it. He's loaded up!
- 3 **A:** Do you want to go out tonight?
B: Not really. I've had a busy week. I'd prefer to stay home and fruit out.
- 4 **A:** What's Angela's brother like?
B: Quite flirt actually.
A: That's why you were chatting to him so much.
- 5 **A:** What qualities are you looking for in a good candidate?
B: Ideally someone who is quite a getter.
- 6 **A:** I haven't had a shower in four days.
B: You're such a slab.
- 7 **A:** I want to have a party for my birthday but I can't be bothered with the hassle of organising it.
B: You should create a WhatsApp group and invite all your friends that way.

- 8 **A:** It makes me so angry when people play videos on their smart phones in public places.
B: Cool down! You can always ask them to turn it off.
- 9 **A:** My colleague is so chattery that I can hardly get any work done.
B: That would drive me crazy!
- 10 **A:** Do you think everyone will like what I'm wearing?
B: It doesn't matter. Don't be such a try-hardly.

5.3 Society

7 Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F) for your country?

unemployment violent crime child poverty
access to clean water housing terrorist threats
media manipulation tax evasion rail networks
power cuts healthcare freedom of speech

- 1 There has been an increase in _____ in the last few years. People are afraid of being robbed.
- 2 Most people have _____. In fact, nearly everybody has it pumped directly to their homes.
- 3 We highly value _____. People are allowed to say almost anything without fear of punishment.
- 4 _____ are overcrowded. Most people have to stand on trains.
- 5 One of our biggest problems is _____. Nearly a quarter of young people don't have a job.
- 6 People are scared of _____. Some people I know won't go out in big crowds in case there is an attack.
- 7 Too many politicians have been accused of _____. They hide much of their money overseas.
- 8 There are often _____. We can sometimes go for days without electricity.
- 9 Not everybody has access to _____. People are expected to pay for expensive medical insurance.
- 10 My biggest concern is that _____ is rising. All children should get a good start in life.
- 11 There is increasing concern about _____. People don't believe what the newspapers say anymore.
- 12 Most young people live with their parents. The government should do more about _____.

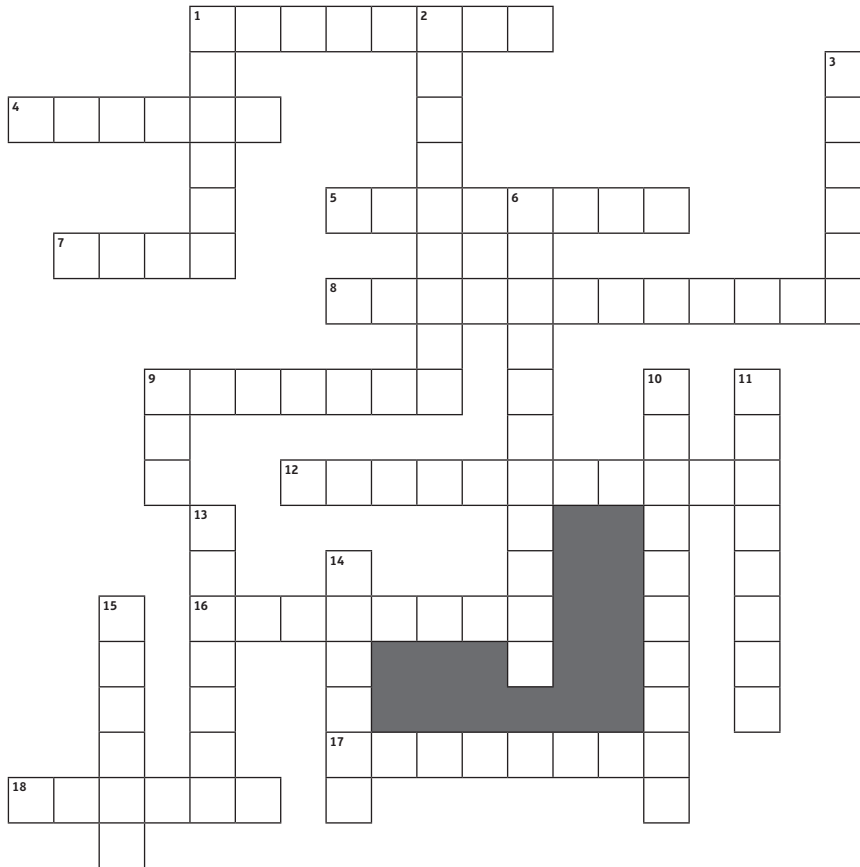
5.4 Caribbean

8 Underline the correct alternatives.

- 1 Agricultural pharmaceutical companies are trying to create *sturdy/long-suffering* crops which are capable of growing in very difficult conditions.
- 2 The new irrigation system has had a/an *negative/astonishing* effect. We grow a lot more food.
- 3 Their farms are located in the *exotic/fertile* valley near the village. They can grow a huge variety of things in the rich soil.
- 4 The *long-suffering/fertile* village has had to endure years of drought.

Crossword

9 Use the clues to complete the crossword with words and phrases from Unit 5.



Across

- 1 pleasant and attractive person (8)
- 4 an animal that drinks its mother's milk (6)
- 5 a person who loves going to the cinema (4, 4)
- 7 an animal that is hunted and eaten (4)
- 8 when children are living in very poor conditions (5, 7)
- 9 rich land that is able to produce good crops (7)
- 12 a person who spends all their time sitting on the sofa (5, 6)
- 16 an animal that depends on a host (8)
- 17 an animal that hunts and kills (8)
- 18 very rich (6)

Down

- 1 talkative (6)
- 2 does things without thinking of the consequences first (9)
- 3 strong and not likely to break (6)
- 6 gets angry a lot (3, 8)
- 9 attractive (3)
- 10 medical services (10)
- 11 a person who likes reading a lot (8)
- 13 an animal with cold blood which lays eggs (7)
- 14 the roof of a forest (6)
- 15 cheerful, optimistic and full of energy (6)