

Unit 7**Exercise 1**

For questions 1–8, choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

Zoos Today

Zoos have changed a lot over the last hundred years. In the past, many people visited them simply to see unusual animals, but today modern zoos often have a much wider (1) _____. They try to protect endangered species and teach visitors about wildlife.

Many zoos work together to breed rare animals and, in some cases, return them (2) _____ the wild. They also organise educational activities so that children can learn why nature is important. As a (3) _____, many young people become more interested in protecting animals.

However, not everyone believes zoos are the best answer. Some people argue that animals should live in their natural habitats instead (4) _____ being kept in enclosures. They believe that even large zoos cannot (5) _____ the same conditions as the wild.

On the other hand, supporters say that good zoos provide excellent care and help scientists (6) _____ more about endangered species. They also remind people that many conservation projects receive money (7) _____ zoos.

In the end, whether people support zoos or not often depends (8) _____ what they believe is best for animals.

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| 1. A. purpose | B. reason | C. plan | D. result |
| 2. A. at | B. into | C. on | D. to |
| 3. A. result | B. cause | C. fact | D. point |
| 4. A. than | B. from | C. of | D. for |
| 5. A. invent | B. create | C. produce | D. build |
| 6. A. study | B. understand | C. learn | D. realise |
| 7. A. by | B. from | C. with | D. of |
| 8. A. at | B. from | C. in | D. on |

Exercise 2

Complete the story with the correct plural form of the nouns in brackets.

A Day on the Farm

Last weekend, my family and I visited a farm in the countryside. As soon as we arrived, we saw many _____ (*sheep*) in the fields. Near the lake, there were several _____ (*goose*) swimming in the water. We also spotted two _____ (*mouse*) running into the barn.

The farmer's _____ (*child*) were helping to feed the animals. One of the _____ (*woman*) showed us how to make fresh cheese, while two _____ (*man*) were repairing a fence.

Later, we visited the stable and saw several beautiful _____ (*horse*). We carefully looked at the animals' _____ (*foot*) to learn how they are looked after. Inside another building, we found some _____ (*tooth*) from different farm animals that were part of a small exhibition.

Before leaving, we walked through the forest behind the farm, where we were lucky enough to see two _____ (*deer*). Finally, the farmer gave all the visitors some fresh bread, and we bought two _____ (*loaf*) to take home.

Exercise 3

You are going to read an article in which four people (A–D) give their opinions about sharks. For questions 1–8, choose from the people (A–D). The people may be chosen more than once.

Sharks: Dangerous or Misunderstood?

A

Every year, millions of sharks are killed around the world. Many are caught by accident in fishing nets, while others are hunted for their fins, which are sold to make shark-fin soup. Some people also kill sharks for sport. In fact, sharks have more reason to be afraid of humans than humans have to be afraid of sharks. Scientists do not know the exact number of sharks that are killed every year, but they know it is very high.

B

Although people sometimes meet sharks in the sea, these situations are very uncommon. News reports often make shark attacks seem more common than they really are. In fact, you are more likely to be struck by lightning or bitten by a dog than attacked by a shark. Most sharks are not trying to hurt people. They are usually just curious. That is why many experts prefer to use the expression "shark encounter" instead of "shark attack."

C

Many everyday activities are much more dangerous than swimming near sharks. Every year, far more people die in car accidents, from falling, or because of illnesses like the flu than from shark attacks. Thinking about these facts can help us understand that sharks are not as dangerous as many people believe.

D

Sharks have excellent senses, including smell, hearing and sight, which make them very good hunters. They are important because they help keep the number of other sea animals under control. If too many sharks disappear, the balance of life in the oceans can be damaged.

Which person...

1. says that people are a bigger danger to sharks than sharks are to people? _____
2. believes that the media gives the wrong idea about shark attacks? _____
3. says that scientists do not know exactly how many sharks die every year? _____
4. explains that sharks usually do not want to hurt people? _____
5. believes that many everyday dangers are greater than sharks? _____
6. says that sharks are important for the health of the oceans? _____
7. explains why some people kill sharks for money? _____
8. thinks that we should use a different expression instead of "shark attack"? _____