

# Environmental Issues in Russia



11 класс

# Typical ecological problems in Russia

- Deforestation
- The destruction of habitats
- Endangered species
- Pollution
- Forest fires
- Floods and droughts

# Answer the questions:

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- Can major environmental problems be solved in one country alone?
- Do you think Russia plays a negative or a positive role in global ecology?

# I. Listening

- to achieve ecological balance
- to combine one's efforts
- to compensate for
- common land
- to purify
- to regenerate
- waste disposal

## T (true), F (false) or NI (no information)

1. Ecological disasters should be prevented by local governments.
2. Russia is a “donor” for many ecosystems.
3. Russian forests occupy nearly half of its territory.
4. Russian wetlands pollute the environment.
5. A great number of plant species are under the threat of extinction in Russia.

## III. Reading

- A. Poachers should be stopped.
- B. Global changes are at hand.
- C. Save the habitat of Russia's mascot.
- D. Getting rid of waste.
- E. We need your help.

# Speaking

- What problems with the local environment do we have?
- What could you do personally to protect the local environment?

water conservation, recycling facilities, reduce traffic congestion around school, reduce air pollution, organically grown vegetables, planting trees, support wildlife

## *How environmentally aware are you?*

- ***1. What does your family do with empty bottles?***
  - A) take them to a recycling bin
  - B) return them to the supermarket
  - C) throw them in the rubbish bin



## *How environmentally aware are you?*

- **2. *When you clean your teeth, you***
  - A) turn the tap on only when you need water.
  - B) leave the tap running until you have finished.
  - C) only use one glass of water.

## *How environmentally aware are you?*

- ***3. You eat a chocolate bar in the street. What do you do with the wrapper?***
  - A) drop it on the pavement
  - B) put it in a litter bin
  - C) save it for recycling

## *How environmentally aware are you?*

- ***4. A local beach has been polluted with oil. You***
  - A) donate money for the clean-up project.
  - B) do nothing.
  - C) volunteer to help with the clean-up project.

# Do you think the exercises we've done today are useful?

- It was useful....
- These tasks helped me...
- It was interesting....
- The most interesting thing was...