



ENGLISH

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THE AILING PLANET THE GREEN MOVEMENT'S ROLE

Questions

1. Notice these expressions in the text. Infer their meaning from the context.

- i) a holistic and ecological view
- ii) inter alia
- iii) sustainable development
- iv) decimated
- v) languish
- vi) catastrophic depletion
- vii) ignominious darkness
- viii) transcending concern



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2. Locate the lines in text that support the title. 'The Ailing Planet'.



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3. What does the notice 'The world's most dangerous animal' at a cage in the zoo at Lusaka, Zambia, signify?



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4. How are the earth's principal biological systems being depleted?



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5. Why does the author aver that the growth of world population is one of the strongest factors distorting the future of human society?



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Talking about the Text

1. Laws are never respected not enforced in India.



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2. “Are we to leave our successors a scorched planet of advancing deserts, impoverished landscapes and an ailing environment?”



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3. “We have not inherited this earth from our forefathers, we have borrowed it from our children”.



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4. The problems of over population that directly affect our everyday life.



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1. The phrase 'inter alia' meaning 'among other things' is one of the many Latin expressions commonly used in English.

Find out what these Latin phrases mean.

i. Prima facie

ii. ad hoc

iii. in camera

iv. ad infinitum

v. mutatis mutandis

vi. tabula rasa



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Working with Words

1. Locate the following words in the text and study their connotation.

i). gripped the imagination of

ii). dawned upon

iii). ushered in

iv). passed into current coin

v). passport of the future



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2. The words „grip“, „dawn“, „usher“, „coin“, „passport“ have a literal as well as a figurative meaning. Write pairs of sentences using each word in the literal as well as figurative sense.



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