

1 AMAZING EARTH

Fill in the sentences with *the* or */*.

DO YOU KNOW THAT...

- 1 ... / Iceland grows 5 centimetres per year?
- 2 ... / Asia and / North America are getting closer and closer?
- 3 ... / Russia has 11 time zones?
- 4 ... people have lived in / Damascus continuously since at least 11,000 years ago?
- 5 ... / Istanbul is one of five cities that are situated on two continents?
- 6 ... **the** deepest place on Earth is in **the** Pacific Ocean? It's called the Mariana Trench and it is 10,984 metres deep?
- 7 ... / Mount Everest can fit inside **the** Mariana Trench?
- 8 ... in 2018, snow fell in **the** Sahara for **the** third time in 40 years?
- 9 ... the full name of / Bangkok, the capital of / Thailand has 169 letters: Krungthepmahanakhon Amonrattanakosin Mahintharayuthaya Mahadilokphop Noppharatchathaniburirom Udomratchaniwetmahasathan Amonphimanawatansathit Sakkathattiyawitsanukamprasit?
- 10 ... the official name of **the** UK has the most characters in a country's full name: **the** United Kingdom of / Great Britain and / Northern Ireland?
- 11 ... at one point / Canada is situated lower than **the** USA because it goes around / Lake Erie?
- 12 ... a drop of water travels three months down **the** Mississippi River?
- 13 ... you can't sink in **the** Dead Sea because it has 8 to 9 times more salt than the oceans and seas of **the** world?
- 14 ... **the** Caribbean Islands consist of 7,000 islands in total?
- 15 ... there are 832 living languages in / Papua New Guinea, a country with the population of only 8,600,000 people?
- 16 ... only two countries in / South America, / Ecuador and / Chile, don't border / Brazil?
- 17 ... more snow falls in **the** Australian Alps than in / Switzerland?
- 18 ... off **the** east coast of / Australia there is the world's largest island made of sand, / Fraser Island?
- 19 ... it hasn't rained or snowed in **the** Dry Valleys in / Antarctica for nearly 2 million years?
- 20 ... although there is a lot of sand in **the** Middle East, you can't use it for building? So countries like / Saudi Arabia and **the** United Arab Emirates have to import sand from / Australia?
- 21 ... **the** deepest sea is **the** Caribbean Sea?
- 22 ... in 2018 football fans caused a small earthquake in / Mexico City when Mexico's soccer team scored a goal against Germany?
- 23 ... / Iceland is **the** only country in **the** world where there are no mosquitoes?
- 24 ... **the** shortest river in **the** world, **the** Roe River in / Montana, is only 61 meters long?

- 25 ... the Himalayas are still growing today, by about 1.5 cm a year, while the Appalachian Mountains are getting shorter?
- 26 ... the biggest pyramid is not in / Egypt, but in / Mexico?
- 27 ... dust from / Africa can come all the way to / Florida?
- 28 ... in 133 BC 1,000,000 people lived in / Rome?
- 29 ... the Sahara isn't the largest desert in the world? It is the largest HOT desert, but the Antarctic desert, which is called a polar desert, is / bigger?
- 30 ... the largest freshwater lake is / Lake Superior in / North America? The second largest lake is in / Africa: it's / Lake Victoria which lies at the border of / Uganda, / Kenya and / Tanzania?
- 31 ... / Pheasant Island, which is located in the River Bidassoa, is owned by both / Spain and / France?

2 CONDITIONAL CLAUSES TYPE 1

A) Match the sentences.

- If people start making sustainable cities, they will protect the Earth.
- If we protect the Earth today, our children and grandchildren will have a healthy planet in the future.
- If a city puts a lot of solar panels on roofs, they will produce enough electricity for the whole city.
- You will cut the electricity consumption by over 50% if you use sensor lights.
- If you use toilet paper made from recycled material, a lot of trees won't be cut down.
- We will save a lot of sea creatures if we cut down on plastic materials.
- We will reduce CO₂ emissions If we reduce the number of cars on the streets.

or:

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B) Fill in with the right tense of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 If you **create** less waste, you **will be** environmentally friendly.
- 2 You **will help** the environment if you **plant** some trees around your house.
- 3 If everybody **turns off** the lights when they leave the room, we **will use** less electricity.
- 4 Many species of animals **will lose** their habitats if we **cut down** forests.
- 5 You **will save** both water and electricity if you **take** short showers.
- 6 If we **don't start** saving water now, we **won't have** drinking water in the future.
- 7 Your dad **will reduce** CO₂ emissions if he **buys** locally grown food.
- 8 If your mum **starts** using cleaning products that don't contain harmful chemicals, she **will help** the environment.
- 9 If everybody **stops** throwing litter on the streets, they **will make** the environment clean.
- 10 Polar ice caps **will melt** if the global temperature **doesn't stop** increasing.

C) Use prompts to make CONDITIONAL CLAUSES TYPE 1.

- 1 **If** people continue throwing away plastic, **there will be** more plastic than fish in the oceans by 2050
- 2 **We will** save our environment **if** we change our behaviour.
- 3 **If** we throw chemicals into the sea, **we won't be** able to swim in it.
- 4 **If** people care about the environment, **they will** start recycling more.
- 5 **If** we use reusable bags for shopping, **we will** reduce the amount of plastic waste
- 6 **You will** save electricity and money **if** you turn off your computer at night.
- 7 **If** you turn off the tap while brushing your teeth, **you will** save more than 10 litres of water every day.
- 8 Orangutans **will** become extinct in the next 20 years **if** we continue with deforestation.

3 GERUND

- 1 You can be environmentally friendly by **riding** (ride) the bike or walking to school.
- 2 By **joining** (join) environmental groups you can learn how to protect the environment.
- 3 By **creating** (create) less waste we can save a lot of animals.
- 4 **Fixing** (fix) leaking pipes can save an enormous amount of water.
- 5 We can help the environment by **educating** (educate) others about its importance.
- 6 By **unplugging** (unplug) the mobile phone charger when it is fully charged you can save electricity.
- 7 Children can help their local community by **picking** (pick) up litter on the street around their house or school.