

- 1 a) You will hear an interview with a scientist about lions. Before you listen, check these words in the Word List.

• *game reserves* • *habitat loss* • *hunting*
 • *accidental poisoning* • *vanish*
 • *critically endangered species list*
 • *poacher* • *breed*

- b) Listen to the dialogue and decide if each sentence is *True* or *False*.

- 1 Most lions live in national parks and game reserves. **False**
- 2 Three decades ago, there were 180,000 more lions in the wild. **True**
- 3 Most experts agree it is probably too late to save the lion. **False**
- 4 Many lions are killed by mistake. **True**
- 5 Dr Richards is trying to raise money to save lions. **True**

- c) What did you learn from the interview about lions? Why are lions in danger? What can you do to help? Tell your partner.

Stress in questions

- 2 a) Read the sentences and find the stressed syllables.

- 1 Can you tell us why lions are in danger?
- 2 How many lions should there be in the wild?
- 3 Can lions be saved from extinction?
- 4 What can we do to help?

- b) Listen and check, then say.

- 3 Read the facts. Why is the Amazon Rainforest important?

Amazon Rainforest

FACTS & FIGURES

Over half the planet's remaining rainforest is in the Amazon.

- **One in ten known species in the world lives there.**
- **More than 20% of the world's oxygen is produced there.**



- 4 a) You will hear a lecture about forests. Before you listen, check these words in the Word List.

• *raise awareness* • *oxygen supply*
 • *land surface* • *urban areas* • *cures*
 • *life-threatening diseases* • *medicinal uses*

- b) Listen and for questions 1-5 choose the correct answer A, B, C or D.

- 1 Less than ten percent of the Earth's land mass
 A is home to wildlife.
B is covered by rainforests.
 C produces the world's oxygen supply.
 D is disappearing.
- 2 Which is NOT mentioned as a reason that trees are cut down?
 A to use for wood
B to clear for farmland
 C to develop towns
 D to reduce land surface
- 3 One hundred and thirty-seven rainforest species
 A are used to make 25% of medicines sold today.
 B have been tested.
 C are cut down for wood.
D are becoming extinct every day.
- 4 What does Jeremy suggest we should do to help rainforests?
A use less paper
 B recycle wooden furniture
 C buy paper online
 D purchase wooden products
- 5 Jeremy believes that people
 A do not love this planet.
 B are very sad about the planet.
 C often don't remember their duty.
D don't need to be reminded of their responsibility.

- 5 What did you learn from the lecture about rainforests? How can you help to save them? Tell your partner.

- 6 **PRESENTATION SKILLS** p. PS3 You work for an environmental organisation and have been invited to speak at the 'Go Green' Merton School environmental day. Give your presentation about the Amazon rainforest. Talk about: *location, what is there, importance, problems, how to help.*