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**Impacts of Introduced Species PowerPoint Presentation**

Many plant and animal species have been introduced into Australia during the past two hundred years. They have established populations within Australian ecosystems, which have threatened the natural populations of Australian animals and plants.

**Task**: **Individually** you need to create a PowerPoint presentation explaining the impact of an introduced species on ecosystems in Australia.

You will need to choose a species from the following list: camel, rabbit, cane toad, fox, brumby and water buffalo.

**Your presentation needs to include:**

* + A definition of the phrase “introduced species”
  + A description of the species, including size, colour and diet
  + A statement of when the species was introduced and the country of origin of the species
  + An explanation of why (deliberately) or how (accidentally) the species was introduced into Australia
  + A description of where the introduced species is found in Australia, including a map
  + An explanation of why the introduced species has thrived in the Australian environment, for example lack of natural predators, abundant food sources etc.
  + A description of how the introduced species has impacted on **two** other species. These could be plants or animals.
  + A description of the methods being used to control the spread of the introduced species.

**Design and Layout**

* Make sure you include headings on your slides and use an appropriate font size and colour.
* You can use transitions and animations in your PowerPoint
* Your images should be labelled and relevant to the content.

Make sure you include a bibliography with the URL of any websites you use, as well as the date you access the information.

A good website to get you started is:

[**https://panique.com.au/trishansoz/animals/australia-introduced-animals.html**](https://panique.com.au/trishansoz/animals/australia-introduced-animals.html)

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| **Marking key – Introduced Species PowerPoint** | |
| **Description** | Marks |
| Species Information | |
| Definition of Introduced Species   * Gives the definition of “Introduced Species” * Does not give the definition of “Introduced Species” | 1  0 |
| Description of Species   * Describes the species including three of size, colour and diet * Describes the species including two of size, colour and diet * Describes the species including one of size, colour and diet * Does not describe the species | 3  2  1  0 |
| Species Origin   * States when and from where the species was introduced * States one of when and from where the species was introduced * Does not the species origin | 2  1  0 |
| Why or How Species Was Introduced   * Detailed explanation of why / how species was introduced * Short explanation of why / how species was introduced * Limited explanation of why / how species was introduced * Does not explain why / how species was introduced | 3  2  1  0 |
| Description of Species Location   * Describes where species is located in Australia, including a map * Describes where species is located only or map only * Does not include location of species | 2  1  0 |
| Reason Why Species has Thrived   * Detailed explanation of why the species has thrived * Short explanation of why the species has thrived * Limited explanation of why the species has thrived * Does not explain why the species has thrived | 3  2  1  0 |
| Impact on Other Species 1   * Detailed explanation of how another species has been impacted * Short explanation of how another species has been impacted * Limited explanation of how another species has been impacted * Does not explain how another species has been impacted | 3  2  1  0 |
| Impact on Other Species 2   * Detailed explanation of how another species has been impacted * Short explanation of how another species has been impacted * Limited explanation of how another species has been impacted * Does not explain how another species has been impacted | 3  2  1  0 |
| Methods of Control   * Detailed description of control methods * Short description of control methods * Limited description of control methods * Does not include description of control methods | 3  2  1  0 |
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| **Description** | Marks |
| PowerPoint Presentation | |
| Layout   * Well structured, with effective use of headings, colour and font * Reasonably well structured, but without headings, poor colour and/or font choice * Cluttered, with poor use of sub-headings, colour and font | 2  1  0 |
| Animations and Transitions   * Animations and transitions used effectively to highlight information * Animations and transitions used somewhat effectively * No animations or transitions | 2  1  0 |
| Writing Mechanics   * No spelling or grammar errors * Some spelling or grammar errors * Many spelling or grammar errors * Spelling and grammar errors distract from reading ability | 3  2  1  0 |
| Graphics   * All graphics are related to content, are a good size and are labelled * Most graphics are related to content, but are not a good size and/or not labelled * Graphics are not related to content or not included | 2  1  0 |
| Other | |
| Note Taking Sheet   * All sections of notes completed * Some sections of notes completed * Notes not handed in | 2  1  0 |
| References   * Three or more references given, with dates of access for websites * One or two references given, with dates of access for websites * No references included | 2  1  0 |
| Subtotal | /13 |
| Total | **/36** |