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LUCETE READING E8-2

UNIT 6. The Zoo's Great Debate: Captivity or Freedom?

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Let's Check!

READING SECTION:

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1. What are the keywords?
2. What is the main idea of the text?

Greenfield's Evergreen Zoo was more than just a collection of animals; it was a town gem. It was a comfortable, eco-friendly space for animals to rest and for children to learn about them. But one morning, there was shocking news; the animals were missing! People in the town square were talking about what might have happened. A teacher named Mrs. Lee asked with concern, "Who could be behind this sudden disappearance?" Mr. Kim, a regular visitor and animal lover, noted, "It's strange. Just yesterday, the animals were all there!" Jun, a sharp and observant boy, said, "Perhaps they ran away because they wanted a taste of freedom. The wild might be more appealing than the zoo." His buddy, Soo, countered thoughtfully, "While **freedom** is important, zoos offer vital protection and this place is an important **shelter** for **endangered** animals. They also enable children to learn about animals."

Curious and determined, Jun carefully inspected the area. He soon spotted **distinct** footprints by the lion's pen. "This wasn't a random act," he said. Following the trail of clues, he discovered Mr. Park, the zookeeper, with the animals in a shaded spot. Jun questioned Mr. Park's sudden move.

Mr. Park sighed deeply, "Recent debates claim zoos are becoming outdated. I wanted to test if the animals would prefer the open spaces. Sadly, they seemed lost without their familiar habitat." Jun replied, "Zoos are indeed a **debatable** topic. However, the well-being and happiness of animals should always be central."

It was certainly a problem when the animals went missing, but it gave us the **opportunity** to think deeply about what animals prefer. Should we return them to the zoo or let them be out in the wild?



6 vocabulary key words: freedom, shelter,
endangered, distinct, debatable, opportunity

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1. What is the summary?



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Let's Think!

1. Beginning of the Passage:

Question: Some people argue that no matter how comfortable a zoo is, it's still a form of animal captivity. Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

Answer: I (agree/disagree) that zoos are a form of captivity because _____.

1. Middle of the Passage (First Half):

Question: If you were in the town square and heard about the missing animals, what wild theory or imaginative story would you come up with to explain their disappearance?

Answer: Hearing about the missing animals, I would theorize that _____ because _____.

1. Middle of the Passage (Second Half):

Question: Jun and Soo have different views on zoo animals desiring freedom versus needing protection. Is it always better to have diverse opinions, or are there situations where people should unify their beliefs? Give an example to support your view.

Answer: It is (not) always better to have diverse opinions because _____. An example of this is _____.

1. End of the Passage (First Half):

Question: If you were an animal, which habitat would you choose: a zoo, the wild, or another option? Explain why.

Answer: If I were an animal, I would choose _____ because _____.

1. End of the Passage (Second Half):

Question: The story ends with a question about the animals' happiness. In your opinion, what are three important things that should be considered to ensure the happiness and well-being of animals in human care?

Answer: To ensure animals' happiness, we should consider _____ because _____.

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Wrap Up!

1. Jun thought the animals wanted freedom. Do you think animals like being free or safe more? Why?
1. What's one thing you would do to make the zoo a happy place for animals?
1. Jun and Soo had different ideas. Why is it good to have different ideas sometimes?

DEBATE TITLE: The Galactic Chronicles of the Guardians of Gaiala: A Time of Revelation

- **Topic:**
 - Living in harmony with nature and respecting the delicate balance of life.
- **Discussion question:**
 1. Can you think of real-world examples where humans have exploited natural resources? What were the consequences?
 2. In stories, why might a powerful group or empire want to exploit another planet or civilization?
 3. If you had the chance to communicate with an otherworldly creature, how would you approach it?