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School teaches baby orangutans survival skills

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THE READING

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Baby orangutans in Indonesia are going to school to learn to find food and make a home. After seven or eight years, the young apes can return to the forest and survive on their own. The school is run by International Animal Rescue (IAR). A spokesperson said: "We are committed to rescuing and rehabilitating...orangutans...and giving them a second chance." Some do not go to school because they are too badly injured, so they cannot go back to the forest.

Some of the babies at the IAR lost their parents because of hunting, logging and forest fires. They are suffering and dying because palm oil companies are destroying the rainforests. Other baby orangutans were sold as pets. There are also adult orangutans at the centre. These have spent a lot of their life in cages. The WWF says orangutans are in danger because their forests are being destroyed.

Sources: <http://news.sky.com/story/1637948/young-orangutans-get-wheeled-to-forest-school>
<http://news.yahoo.com/orangutan-school-teaches-young-primates-survival-skills-131443906.html>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. learn to find food and make | a. chance |
| 2. the young apes can | b. rehabilitating orangutans |
| 3. survive on | c. badly injured |
| 4. committed to rescuing and | d. return to the forest |
| 5. giving them a second | e. back to the forest |
| 6. Some do not | f. a home |
| 7. they are too | g. go to school |
| 8. they cannot go | h. their own |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. some of the babies at the IAR lost | a. as pets |
| 2. palm | b. life in cages |
| 3. destroying the | c. oil companies |
| 4. baby orangutans were sold | d. being destroyed |
| 5. There are also adult | e. their parents |
| 6. These have spent a lot of their | f. danger |
| 7. orangutans are in | g. orangutans at the centre |
| 8. forests are | h. rainforests |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Baby orangutans in Indonesia are going (1) _____ to find food and make a home. After seven or eight years, the young apes (2) _____ the forest and survive (3) _____. The school is run by International Animal Rescue (IAR). A spokesperson said: "We (4) _____ to rescuing and rehabilitating...orangutans...and giving them (5) _____." Some do not go to school because they are too badly injured, so they cannot (6) _____ forest.

Some of the babies at the IAR (7) _____ because of hunting, logging and forest fires. They (8) _____ dying because palm (9) _____ destroying the rainforests. Other baby orangutans were (10) _____. There are also adult orangutans at the centre. These have spent (11) _____ in cages. The WWF says orangutans (12) _____ because their forests are being destroyed.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)
