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Animal puppets walk 20,000 km for climate action

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

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WARM-UPS

1. THE CLIMATE CRISIS: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about the climate crisis. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

20,000-km walk / central Africa / Arctic Circle / climate crisis / puppets / ambitious / herd / continents / street performances / rewilding / beauty / nature / biodiversity

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. CLIMATE ACTION: Students A **strongly** believe we all need to take action to help Earth; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. RAISING AWARENESS: How can these things raise awareness of the climate crisis? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	How?	Effectiveness
The Internet		
Schools		
Supermarkets		
Train Stations		
Parents		
Street Performances		

5. ANIMAL: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "animal". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. WALKS: Rank these with your partner. Put the best walks at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Across the Sahara Desert
- Through the Amazon
- Along the River Thames
- Around Mt Fuji
- Along the Great Wall of China
- Around Rome
- Across the USA
- In the Himalayas

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|------------------|--|
| 1. epic | a. An animal or living thing. |
| 2. trek | b. Wanting to do something very big or important. |
| 3. awareness | c. Very big or exciting. |
| 4. creature | d. Knowing or understanding something. |
| 5. puppet | e. A very long walk, usually in the mountains. |
| 6. unprecedented | f. A toy that you can move with your hands to make it act or talk. |
| 7. ambitious | g. Something that has never happened before. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|------------------|--|
| 8. continents | h. Welcome guests to your house or lead an event or party. |
| 9. host | i. When people act, sing, dance, or play music for others to watch. |
| 10. performance | j. A very bad or dangerous situation. |
| 11. rewilding | k. The seven big land areas on Earth, like Africa or Asia. |
| 12. stunning | l. All the different kinds of plants and animals in a place. |
| 13. crisis | m. Very beautiful or amazing. |
| 14. biodiversity | n. Helping nature go back to how it was before, by bringing back plants and animals. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. The 20,000-km walk started in Rwanda. **T / F**
2. The walk will take six months. **T / F**
3. The article says there are more than 2,000 puppets in the walk. **T / F**
4. A spokesperson said The Herds was an ambitious project. **T / F**
5. The Herds will cross three continents. **T / F**
6. Twenty cities along the walk's route will have street performances. **T / F**
7. An environmentalist said the walk will reach a billion people. **T / F**
8. An environmentalist said the walk should lead to a brighter future. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| 1. epic | a. last |
| 2. journey | b. very long |
| 3. creatures | c. challenging |
| 4. unprecedented | d. disaster |
| 5. ambitious | e. appeal |
| 6. visit | f. animals |
| 7. final | g. more hopeful |
| 8. beauty | h. unusual |
| 9. crisis | i. spend time in |
| 10. brighter | j. trip |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. The epic | a. from climate disaster |
| 2. The journey will | b. future |
| 3. A herd is | c. take over four months |
| 4. recyclable | d. inside the Arctic Circle |
| 5. the flight of animals | e. materials |
| 6. 20 cities across the continents | f. a large group of animals |
| 7. The final event will be | g. and biodiversity loss |
| 8. The Herds is going to reach | h. trek is to raise awareness |
| 9. the twin crises of climate change | i. millions of people |
| 10. a brighter | j. of Africa and Europe |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

A 20,000-km walk from (1) _____ Africa to the Arctic Circle has started in Congo. The epic (2) _____ is to raise awareness of the climate crisis. The journey will take over four months. It is called The Herds. A herd is a large (3) _____ of animals. The hundreds of creatures in this project are life-sized puppets. They (4) _____ lions, zebras, wildebeest, monkeys, giraffes and baboons. More than 2,000 people will be (5) _____ to make more puppets, all from recyclable materials. The Herds organizers said the walk symbolizes the (6) _____ of animals from climate disaster. A spokesperson said: "The Herds is public (7) _____ and climate action on an unprecedented scale. It's an ambitious coming (8) _____ of culture and climate."

trained
central
together
flight
art
group
trek
include

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fierce
continents
stunning
brighter
host
lives
final
loss

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

- 1) A 20,000-km walk from central Africa to the Arctic Circle has _____
 - a. start it in Congo
 - b. started in Congo
 - c. started on Congo
 - d. star tied in Congo
- 2) The epic trek is to raise awareness of _____
 - a. a climate crisis
 - b. the climate critic
 - c. the climate crisis
 - d. the climate critics
- 3) The hundreds of creatures in this project are _____
 - a. life-sized puppet
 - b. life-sized puppets
 - c. live-sized puppets
 - d. life-seized puppets
- 4) 2,000 people will be trained to make more puppets, all _____
 - a. firm recyclable materials
 - b. farm recyclable materials
 - c. for recyclable materials
 - d. from recyclable materials
- 5) The Herds is public art and climate action on _____
 - a. an unprecedented shale
 - b. an unprecedented sale
 - c. an unprecedented scale
 - d. an unprecedented snail
- 6) The animal puppets from The Herds will visit more than 20 cities _____
 - a. across a continents
 - b. across the continents
 - c. across the continent
 - d. a cross the continents
- 7) The final event will be inside the Arctic Circle in August. Each city will _____
 - a. haste street performances
 - b. ghost street performances
 - c. host street performance is
 - d. host street performances
- 8) exciting beauty of nature right onto the streets and _____
 - a. into people's live
 - b. into people's alive
 - c. into people's lives
 - d. into people's olives
- 9) a stunning representation of the twin crises of climate change _____
 - a. and biodiversity loss
 - b. and biodiversity lost
 - c. and biodiversity lose
 - d. and biodiversity floss
- 10) and the journey we must all make towards _____
 - a. a blighted future
 - b. a brighten future
 - c. a brighter future
 - d. a biter future

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

1. What is The Herds to raise awareness of?
2. What is a herd?
3. How big are the animal puppets?
4. What are the puppets made from?
5. What kind of art is The Herds?
6. How many continents will The Herds cross?
7. Where will the final event of The Herds be?
8. What will each city host?
9. How many people will The Herds reach?
10. What did an environmentalist say we must make a journey towards?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

- 1) What is The Herds to raise awareness of?
 - a) veganism
 - b) animal cruelty
 - c) the climate crisis
 - d) farming
- 2) What is a herd?
 - a) a large group of animals
 - b) something you listened to
 - c) straight forward
 - d) a weather pattern
- 3) How big are the animal puppets?
 - a) life-sized
 - b) tiny
 - c) huge
 - d) a metre tall
- 4) What are the puppets made from?
 - a) fur and leather
 - b) recyclable materials
 - c) paper
 - d) plastic
- 5) What kind of art is The Herds?
 - a) modern art
 - b) sculpture
 - c) painting
 - d) public art
- 6) How many continents will The Herds cross?
 - a) one
 - b) two
 - c) three
 - d) four
- 7) Where will the final event of The Herds be?
 - a) in the Arctic Circle
 - b) Antarctica
 - c) Siberia
 - d) Alaska
- 8) What will each city host?
 - a) homestay students
 - b) animals
 - c) street performances
 - d) environmentalists
- 9) How many people will The Herds reach?
 - a) billions of people
 - b) half a million people
 - c) a million people
 - d) millions of people
- 10) What did an environmentalist say we must make a journey towards?
 - a) a brighter future
 - b) veganism
 - c) no fossil fuels
 - d) the North Pole

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

Role A – Across the Sahara Desert

You think a walk across the Sahara Desert is the best walk. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their walks. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): the Great Wall of China, across the USA or around Mt Fuji.

Role B – Along the Great Wall of China

You think a walk along the Great Wall of China is the best walk. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their walks. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): the Sahara Desert, across the USA or around Mt Fuji.

Role C – Across the USA

You think a walk across the USA is the best walk. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their walks. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): the Great Wall of China, the Sahara Desert or around Mt Fuji.

Role D – Around Mt Fuji

You think a walk around Mt Fuji is the best walk. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their walks. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): the Great Wall of China, across the USA or the Sahara Desert.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look online / in your dictionary to find collocates, information on, synonyms for... the words 'climate' and 'crisis'.

climate	crisis

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• central• take• sized• trained• flight• public	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20• final• host• reach• lives• loss
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THE CLIMATE CRISIS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

Write five GOOD questions about the climate crisis in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

THE CLIMATE CRISIS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'climate'?
3. What is the climate crisis?
4. How do you feel about the climate crisis?
5. How interested are you in following The Herds?
6. Why is The Herds finishing in the Arctic Circle?
7. What can we do to help animals in danger?
8. What animals are most at risk from climate change?
9. Has climate change changed your life?
10. What advice do you have for the organizers of The Herds?

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THE CLIMATE CRISIS DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'crisis'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. Which of the cities would you like to visit?
15. What do you think the street performances will be like?
16. How important are rewilding projects?
17. What do you think of nature?
18. How can we reverse biodiversity loss?
19. How bright do you think the future is?
20. What questions would you like to ask the organizers?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) central | (b) centered | (c) center | (d) centers |
| 2. | (a) rise | (b) arise | (c) raise | (d) risen |
| 3. | (a) to | (b) at | (c) of | (d) in |
| 4. | (a) on | (b) by | (c) for | (d) to |
| 5. | (a) slight | (b) blight | (c) flight | (d) light |
| 6. | (a) seen | (b) coming | (c) walking | (d) travelling |
| 7. | (a) incontinence | (b) continents | (c) continental | (d) containment |
| 8. | (a) finality | (b) final | (c) finally | (d) finalize |
| 9. | (a) at | (b) of | (c) on | (d) by |
| 10. | (a) along | (b) left | (c) up | (d) right |
| 11. | (a) single | (b) triplet | (c) quadruplet | (d) twin |
| 12. | (a) take | (b) fake | (c) bake | (d) make |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. A 20,000-km walk from lctrane Africa
2. raise aeesrsnwa of the climate crisis
3. The yojuner will take over four months
4. hundreds of eestrcaru in this project
5. monkeys, ffisgera and baboons
6. all from eecyrlbacl materials

Paragraph 2

7. the nnttneoics of Africa and Europe
8. street rpefomracnes
9. reach lmnloiis of people
10. the fierce, exciting bayeut of nature
11. ibvdyroiesti loss
12. towards a btrrhgie future

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- (**1**) A 20,000-km walk from central Africa to the Arctic Circle has started in Congo. The epic trek is to raise
- () awareness of the climate crisis. The journey will take over four months. It is called The Herds. A herd is a large group
- () beauty of nature right onto the streets and into people's lives." The UK Peatland Programme said: "The Herds is a
- () Circle in August. Each city will host street performances that focus on how we can help Earth. Alister Scott of the
- () disaster. A spokesperson said: "The Herds is public art and climate action on an
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- () lions, zebras, wildebeest, monkeys, giraffes and baboons. More than 2,000 people will be trained to make more
- () loss, and the journey we must all make towards a brighter future."
- () of Africa and Europe, including Casablanca, Madrid, Paris, London, and Stockholm. The final event will be inside the Arctic
- () of animals. The hundreds of creatures in this project are life-sized puppets. They include
- () puppets, all from recyclable materials. The Herds organizers said the walk symbolizes the flight of animals from climate
- () stunning representation of the twin crises of climate change and biodiversity
- () The animal puppets from The Herds will visit more than 20 cities across the continents
- () unprecedented scale. It's an ambitious coming together of culture and climate."

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. The trek epic is to raise awareness .
2. The over journey will take four months .
3. The in creatures this project are life-sized puppets .
4. People more to make puppets will be trained .
5. An of ambitious and climate coming together culture .
6. The than more 20 cities Herds will visit .
7. The inside be will event the Arctic Circle .
8. Focus we on can help how Earth .
9. Herds millions to going is reach of people .
10. The towards we journey a brighter make future .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

A 20,000-km walk from *central / center* Africa to the Arctic Circle has started in Congo. The *epic / optic* trek is to raise awareness *at / of* the climate crisis. The journey will take *over / more* four months. It is called The Herds. A herd is a large group of animals. The hundreds of *creature / creatures* in this project are life-sized puppets. They include lions, zebras, wildebeest, monkeys, giraffes and baboons. More than 2,000 people will be trained *for / to* make more puppets, all from recyclable materials. The Herds organizers said the walk symbolizes the *flight / fly* of animals from climate disaster. A spokesperson said: "The Herds is public *arty / art* and climate action on an unprecedented *scale / sale*. It's an ambitious coming *with / together* of culture and climate."

The animal puppets from The Herds will *visit / visitor* more than 20 cities across the *continent / continents* of Africa and Europe, including Casablanca, Madrid, Paris, London, and Stockholm. The *final / finally* event will be inside the Arctic Circle in August. Each city will *host / ghost* street performances that focus *on / in* how we can help Earth. Alister Scott of the Global Rewilding Alliance said: "The Herds is going to reach millions *to / of* people and bring the fierce, exciting *beautiful / beauty* of nature right onto the streets and into people's *live / lives*." The UK Peatland Programme said: "The Herds is a stunning representation of the twin *crises / crisis* of climate change and biodiversity loss, and the journey we must all make towards a brighter *past / future*."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct. Look up the definition of new words.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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_ 20,000-km w_lk fr_m c_ntr_l _fr_c_ t_ th_ _rct_c
C_rcl_ h_s st_rt_d _n C_ng_. Th_ _p_c tr_k _s t_
r__s_ _w_r_n_ss _f th_ cl_m_t_ cr_s_s. Th_ j__rn_y
w_ll t_k_ _v_r f__r m_nths. _t _s c_ll_d Th_ H_rds. _
h_rd _s _ l_rg_ gr__p _f _n_m_ls. Th_ h_ndr_ds _f
cr__t_r_s _n th_s pr_j_ct _r_ l_f-s_z_d p_pp_ts. Th_y
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_nd b_b__ns. M_r_ th_n 2,000 p__pl_ w_ll b_ tr__n_d
t_ m_k_ m_r_ p_pp_ts, _ll fr_m r_cycl_bl_ m_t_r__ls.
Th_ H_rds _rg_n_z_rs s__d th_ w_lk symb_l_z_s th_
fl_ght _f _n_m_ls fr_m cl_m_t_ d_s_st_r. _
sp_k_sp_rs_n s__d: "Th_ H_rds _s p_blic _rt _nd
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_mb_t__s c_m_ng t_g_th_r _f c_ltr_ _nd cl_m_t_."

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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

a 20000km walk from central africa to the arctic circle has started in congo the epic trek is to raise awareness of the climate crisis the journey will take over four months it is called the herds a herd is a large group of animals the hundreds of creatures in this project are lifesized puppets they include lions zebras wildebeest monkeys giraffes and baboons more than 2000 people will be trained to make more puppets all from recyclable materials the herds organizers said the walk symbolizes the flight of animals from climate disaster a spokesperson said the herds is public art and climate action on an unprecedented scale its an ambitious coming together of culture and climate the animal puppets from the herds will visit more than 20 cities across the continents of africa and europe including casablanca madrid paris london and stockholm the final event will be inside the arctic circle in august each city will host street performances that focus on how we can help earth alister scott of the global rewilding alliance said the herds is going to reach millions of people and bring the fierce exciting beauty of nature right onto the streets and into peoples lives the uk peatland programme said the herds is a stunning representation of the twin crises of climate change and biodiversity loss and the journey we must all make towards a brighter future

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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A 20,000-km walk from central Africa to the Arctic Circle has started in Congo. The epic trek is to raise awareness of the climate crisis. The journey will take over four months. It is called The Herds. A herd is a large group of animals. The hundreds of creatures in this project are life-sized puppets. They include lions, zebras, wildebeest, monkeys, giraffes and baboons. More than 2,000 people will be trained to make more puppets, all from recyclable materials. The Herds organizers said the walk symbolizes the flight of animals from climate disaster. A spokesperson said: "The Herds is public art and climate action on an unprecedented scale. It's an ambitious coming together of culture and climate." The animal puppets from The Herds will visit more than 20 cities across the continents of Africa and Europe, including Casablanca, Madrid, Paris, London, and Stockholm. The finale event will be inside the Arctic Circle in August. Each city will host street performances that focus on how we can help Earth. Alister Scott of the Global Rewilding Alliance said: "The Herds is going to reach millions of people and bring the fierce, exciting beauty of nature right onto the streets and into people's lives." The UK Peatland Programme said: "The Herds is a stunning representation of the twin crises of climate change and biodiversity loss, and the journey we must all make towards a brighter future."

FREE WRITING

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Write about **the climate crisis** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

This image shows a single sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.

ACADEMIC WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2505/250501-the-herds.html>

We must all change our lives to create a brighter future. Discuss.

[illegible]

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. THE CLIMATE CRISIS: Make a poster about the climate crisis. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. STREET PERFORMANCES: Write a magazine article about all cities putting on more street performances to highlight the climate crisis. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on the climate crisis. Ask him/her three questions about the climate crisis. Give him/her three of your ideas. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c 2. e 3. d 4. a 5. f 6. g 7. b
8. k 9. h 10. i 11. n 12. m 13. j 14. l

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 F 2 F 3 F 4 T 5 F 6 T 7 F 8 T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. b	2. j	3. f	4. h	5. c
6. i	7. a	8. e	9. d	10. g

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- The climate crisis
- A large group of animals
- Life-sized
- Recyclable materials
- Public art
- Two
- In the Arctic Circle
- Street performances
- Millions of people
- A brighter future

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

- The epic trek is to raise awareness.
- The journey will take over four months.
- The creatures in this project are life-sized puppets.
- People will be trained to make more puppets.
- An ambitious coming together of culture and climate.
- The Herds will visit more than 20 cities.
- The event will be inside the Arctic Circle.
- Focus on how we can help Earth.
- Herds is going to reach millions of people.
- The journey we make towards a brighter future.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. a 4. b 5. d 6. b 7. a 8. c 9. d 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)