

Conservation and Wildlife Protection

Match the description on the left with the term on the right by writing the correct letter in each blank.

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| _____ 1. removal of nutrients from soil | a. endangered species |
| _____ 2. species that is in danger of becoming extinct unless action is taken to protect it | b. erosion |
| _____ 3. wearing away of soil by wind and water | c. extinction |
| _____ 4. use of plowing methods that reduce soil erosion | d. soil depletion |
| _____ 5. dying out of an entire species | e. soil management |

Complete the following sentences using the appropriate words from the textbook.

- The process of changing the crops that are grown in a field from one season to another is called _____.
- Most species become endangered because of damage to their _____ by human activities.
- _____ involves determining what species are endangered, why they are endangered, and devising methods of helping the species recover.
- Recovery of a species may involve ridding the environment of a harmful _____ such as DDT.
- Contour plowing, strip cropping, terracing, and no-till farming are procedures that reduce soil _____.
- Many countries have made efforts to protect forests and wildlife habitat by developing _____ and protected areas.
- The replanting of a forest is called _____.
- Reforestation helps preserve _____ because the roots of young plants hold soil in place.
- Minerals and fossil fuels are _____ resources.
- Most minerals are obtained by _____.
- Mining disrupts ecosystems, destroys topsoil, and sometimes releases _____ into air and water.