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Plan to return the wolf to Scotland

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THE READING

A charity called Rewilding Britain wants a large area of Scotland to be the same as it was a thousand years ago. It wants forests and lost animals, birds and fish to return. The animals the group wants returned to mountains, rivers and seas include the wolf, beavers, sea eagles and whales. The last wolf in Britain died in 1680. The charity wants one-twentieth of the country to return to the wild. It hopes this can happen by the year 2030.

Not everyone thinks bringing the wolf back is a good idea. Farmers are worried it would start killing farm animals. They also say beaver dams would flood farmland, and sea eagles would kill lambs. A Rewilding Britain spokeswoman said re-wilding was necessary for our future and that nature needed us. She added that it was important for native forests to grow again and for seas to recover from industrial fishing.

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VOCABULARY MATCHING

PARAGRAPH ONE:

1.	a large area	a.	the wild
2	the same as it was a	b.	died in 1680
3.	mountains, rivers	c.	year 2030
4.	The last wolf in Britain	d.	of Scotland
5.	one-	e.	and seas
6.	return to	f.	happen
7.	It hopes this can	g.	twentieth of the country
8.	by the	h.	thousand years ago

PARAGRAPH TWO:

1.	bringing the wolf back	a.	worried
2	Farmers are	b.	to grow again
3.	farm	c.	kill lambs
4.	dams would flood	d.	fishing
5.	eagles would	e.	is a good idea
6.	necessary	f.	animals
7.	important for native forests	g.	for our future
8.	recover from industrial	h.	farmland

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

A charity called Rewilding Britain wants (1) _____ Scotland to be the (2) _____ thousand years ago. It wants forests and lost animals, birds and (3) _____. The animals the group wants returned to mountains, (4) _____ include the wolf, beavers, sea eagles and whales. The last wolf in Britain died in 1680. The charity wants (5) _____ the country to return to the wild. It hopes this can happen (6) _____.

Not everyone thinks (7) _____ back is a good idea. Farmers are (8) _____ start killing farm animals. They also say beaver (9) _____ farmland, and sea eagles would kill lambs. A Rewilding Britain spokeswoman said re-wilding (10) _____ our future and that (11) _____. She added that it was important for native forests to grow again and for seas to recover (12) _____.

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).

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

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WRITING

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

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