Before-reading questions

1 *Reader's own answer.*
2 *Reader's own answer.*
3 *Reader's own answer.*

During-reading questions

CHAPTERS ONE AND TWO

1 A peregrine falcon can fly at more than 320 kilometres an hour.
2 King Charles I of England brought them to Richmond Park because he liked hunting them.
3 They do not like cormorants because they want to catch fish, but the cormorants sometimes catch the fish first.
4 They are intelligent. They wait outside restaurants for the best food in the rubbish. They put their nuts in front of cars. The cars drive over the nuts and open them.

CHAPTERS THREE AND FOUR

1 They are important because animals can use them to move around the city easily.
2 There were raccoon farms in Germany. Some racoons ran out of the farms and into the woods.
3 The funnel-web spider gives a very bad bite. In the past, people died from these bites.
4 The sugar glider can jump and travel more than fifty metres through the air.

CHAPTERS FIVE AND SIX

1 Terns need a quiet place for their nests, away from buildings and people.
2 A lynx can jump about two metres.
3 Another name for dassies is rock hyraxes.
4 Chacma baboons sometimes come into people's houses. They are looking for food.

CHAPTERS SEVEN AND EIGHT

1 It is possible that the turtles were pets. People put them in the park because they did not want them any more.
2 Some bats can eat 500 insects in one hour.
3 Otters came back because the water is cleaner now.
4 They came to Singapore about 100 years ago.

CHAPTERS NINE AND TEN

1 There was a big fire, but the bees survived.
2 True. Some big wels catfish are as heavy as two eight-year-old children.
3 There were 9.6 million more people in Beijing in 2010 than in 1990.
4 Swifts started coming to Beijing hundreds of years ago.

CHAPTERS ELEVEN AND TWELVE

1 Flamingos have pink feathers because they eat blue-green algae.
2 They are brown.
3 They eat dogs and pigs. They eat people's rubbish.
4 Cicadas like living in the middle of Seoul because the buildings make the city hotter.

CHAPTER THIRTEEN

1 People give their old Christmas trees to the porcupines because the porcupines like ating them.
2 White-tailed jackrabbits' fur turns white. White fur is difficult to see in the snow.
3 Black bears eat a lot of food in autumn because they sleep all winter.
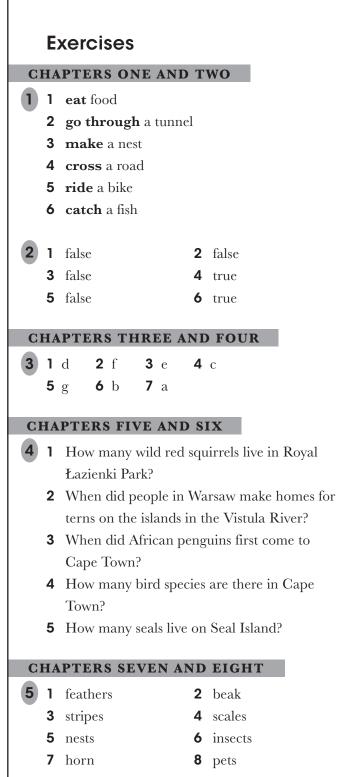
After-reading questions

1 *Reader's own answers.*
2 *Reader's own answers.*
3 *Reader's own answers.*

4 *Example answer*: In this book, they help to make water clean again; they build nesting boxes; they make their garden more open for wild animals; they do the right thing with their rubbish, and they take animals back to their homes. *Reader's own answers*.

Exercises

CHAPTERS ONE AND TWO

1 1 **eat** food
2 **go through** a tunnel
3 **make** a nest
4 **cross** a road
5 **ride** a bike
6 **catch** a fish

2 1 false   2 false
3 false   4 true
5 false   6 true

CHAPTERS THREE AND FOUR

3 1 d   2 f   3 e   4 c
5 g   6 b   7 a

CHAPTERS FIVE AND SIX

4 1 How many wild red squirrels live in Royal Łazienki Park?
2 When did people in Warsaw make homes for terns on the islands in the Vistula River?
3 When did African penguins first come to Cape Town?
4 How many bird species are there in Cape Town?
5 How many seals live on Seal Island?

CHAPTERS SEVEN AND EIGHT

5 1 feathers   2 beak
3 stripes   4 scales
5 nests   6 insects
7 horn   8 pets

6 1 Skunks sometimes feel frightened and make a bad smell.
2 Do not get the smell on your clothes.
3 Ants like living under city streets because it is warm for their eggs.
4 Ants are good at finding food in the streets.
5 The oriental pied hornbill has a curved beak with a horn on top.
6 In the past, these birds stopped living in Singapore.

CHAPTERS NINE AND TEN

7 1 Kestrels make nests at the top of some of **the tallest** buildings.
2 A big wels catfish is **as heavy as** two eight-year-old children!
3 Beijing is one of **the biggest** and **busiest** places on Earth.
4 Beijing's hog badgers are **smaller** than European badgers.
5 For hutong weasels, life is **better** on small roads than on big, noisy roads.

CHAPTERS ELEVEN AND TWELVE

8 1 In Mumbai, there **are** wonderful creatures in the water.
2 Olive Ridley turtles **love** warm water.
3 Some people **cleaned** Versova beach and in 2017 the turtles **came** back.
4 The water at Thane Creek **has** lots of blue-green algae.
5 In the past, stray cats **were** pets.
6 Sometimes boars **come** into Seoul.

CHAPTER THIRTEEN

9 1 c   2 a   3 g   4 e
5 d   6 b   7 f

Project work

Reader's own answers.

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