

1. Lesson2. Teacher: After the student reads the instructions, help the student generate ideas and write an outline before writing an essay as described in the instructions. Correct any spelling, grammar or punctuation mistakes.

4[A] – Wilderness Areas



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- Write an essay on the given TOPIC covering three of the POINTS below the space provided on your answer sheet.
- **Structure:** Three or more paragraphs, including an introduction and conclusion.
- **Length:** Around 200 words.

TOPIC

Do the world's wilderness areas need to be better protected?

POINTS

- Biodiversity
- Ecotourism
- Rights of indigenous peoples
- Population growth
- Economic development
- International cooperation

2. Example Answer



- Although many people support blanket protection for the world's wilderness areas. I believe that the long-term survival of such regions depend on them being carefully managed and exploited.*
- Some wilderness areas, such as the Amazon Basin, are under serious threat from logging. However, these areas are also home to many plant species that can provide us with live-saving medicines. These plants can only flourish if the biodiversity of forests is maintained. We cannot expect people to stop logging, but sustainable logging would be a step in the right direction.*
- Another threat to wilderness areas is population growth. In developing countries, people are moving into previously uninhabited areas and threatening animal habitats. This cannot be prevented altogether, but it is important that governments try to limit the impact in these areas by, for example, promoting eco-friendly agricultural practices.*
- Finally, ecotourism can help local economies in need of vital income and protect wilderness areas at the same time. Take the Shiretoko Peninsula World Heritage site. The area's economy, which was previously struggling is now benefiting from the careful use of ecotourism, and in return tourists get to learn about and appreciate nature.*
- Improving the lives of people should always be a priority, and responsible exploitation of wilderness areas can help do just that.*