



Zachary's Environment

General Instructions:

This task has two parts: **Part 1** has six questions and **Part 2** has four questions.

Take time to read each question very carefully before attempting to answer. Remember to use complete sentences when answering questions that requires you to explain, describe, define and/or give examples/make list.



Instructions to begin:

Read the story below carefully. Then use the information from the story to answer the following questions.



Story

Zachary stood with his pet dog on the green lawn outside his house. He said out loud: "Thank God for all the things around that keep me alive."

Immediately, the air spoke: "why did he say 'all the things'? I am the most important thing that he needs. Without me, he and his dog couldn't breathe. And, he couldn't fly his kite if I didn't move about!"

Rainwater, which had settled in puddles on the paved driveway, said to the air: "He and his entire family, the plants in the garden, and all other living things would dry up and die if I were not around."

The mango tree, hearing the conversation, turned to the tomato plant and said: "we're very important too. We give his family food to keep healthy."

The soil, who had been quiet all the time, said: "Mango and Tomato, if it weren't for me, you couldn't grow!"

From up in the sky, the sun looked at the clouds, then at everything else, and asked, "If I didn't shine anymore, what do you suppose would happen to Zachary, his family, and all of you. Without my light and heat energy?"



Part 1

Answer the questions below.

1. From your understanding of the story, what can Zachary's surroundings also be referred to as? Explain...

2. List all the things which make up Zachary's surroundings.

3. Read the statement below carefully then answer the question that follows.

"If I didn't shine anymore, what do you suppose would happen to Zachary, his family, and all of you. Without my light and heat energy?"

Who or what said these words? Say if you agree or disagree with the statement, give reasons why...



6. If Zachary's home surroundings did not have any plants, how would that affect?



Part 2

Our environmental problems can be solved by making good use of earth's resources so that they will provide the greatest benefit for the longest time. It is very important that we use the earth's natural resources wisely for the conservation of the environment.

- 7. From your understanding of the term/word 'conservation', give a brief explanation of what the term means as it relates to the above statement.

The process of conserving the environment begins with us practicing the 4R's. For us to preserve, guard or protect the environment from damage, destruction or decay, we should practice these 4R's every day.

- 8. What are the 4R's? give a brief explanation of each.

- 9. All living things depend on the ecosystem for food, air and water in addition to other factors necessary for survival. A growing awareness of the importance of healthy ecosystems is critical to the restoration of the environment.

