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### **Question Number One:**

**Read the following text. Then answer the question below:**

#### **The Niger giraffe**

The Niger giraffe is a subspecies of giraffe that can be identified by its light-coloured spots. Both genetic and ecological features distinguish it from other giraffes. In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, it ranged in pockets over a huge territory, from Senegal to Cameroon. Even half a century ago, there were probably still as many as 3000 of these giraffes in Niger itself, although they could no longer be found in any of the neighbouring countries. By 1994, the population had dramatically decreased to only 67. The animal faced almost-certain extinction.

Experts said that poaching and desertification were to blame for the decline of the Niger giraffe. Emergency measures had to be taken to reverse the trend, which included fines and prison sentences for poachers. A programme of public awareness was also needed to save what had been one of the country's main tourist attractions.

It was some time before the new safeguards became effective. Indeed, the giraffe population reached an all-time low of 49 in 1996 before observers recorded the first signs of recovery. Since then, conservation efforts have led to significant growth, so that by 2008, the total had tripled to over 150 individuals, all living in a tiny area only 60 kilometres from Niger's capital, Niamey.

The giraffes have had to learn to live alongside people. They cross the farmers' fields and drink from the same water sources as the cattle. The people, too, have had to adapt. This region, near the capital, is the centre of local and international efforts to maintain the giraffes' habitat and smooth relations between the herd and the farming community. It should also provide opportunities for tourism. Having almost lost a unique subspecies of wildlife a decade ago, environmentalists are determined to protect the Niger giraffe in the future.

**- Decide whether these statements are true or false. Correct false statements.**

a. Although the Niger giraffe was in danger of extinction only a few years ago, the population is now starting to increase.



b. Fifty years ago, the Niger giraffe lived in many countries, including Senegal and Cameroon.

c. The government of Niger has banned the hunting of giraffes.

d. The giraffes have no contact with the local people.

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**Answer:**

- a. True.
- b. False. There were 3000 giraffes in Niger but not in neighbouring countries.
- c. True.
- d. False. The giraffes cross the farmers' fields and drink from the same water sources as the cattle.

**Question Number Two:**

What is similar about these expressions?

- The longest dam, the most beautiful city.

**Answer:**

They are both superlative expressions.



**Question Number Three:**

Put the following words in order to make a complete sentence:

**has / land / damage / overcultivation / of / environmental / in / resulted.**

**Answer:**

- Overcultivation of land has resulted in environmental damage.