



All about biodiversity

ZOOM IN

fungus (n) (plural = fungi) organisms which feed on decaying things

真菌 | 真菌

meadow (n) a field with grass and flowers growing in it 草地 | 草地

stork (n) a large, white bird with very long legs 鶴 | 鶴

jay (n) a noisy, colourful bird 松鴉 | 松鴉

porpoise (n) a sea animal that looks like a dolphin but has a shorter, rounder nose 鼠海豚 | 鼠海豚

rodent (n) a small animal with sharp front teeth 齧齒動物 | 啮齿动物

sponge (n) absorbing water or cleaning things 海綿 | 海绵

mollusc (n) an animal which has a soft body covered with a hard shell

軟體動物 | 软体动物

marshland (n) an area of wet ground near a lake, a river or the sea

沼澤地 | 沼泽地

reserve (n) an area which is protected by law to keep its natural environment 保護區 | 保护区

pest (n) an insect or small animal that is harmful to crops 害蟲 | 害虫

acorn (n) an oval nut with an outer part shaped like a cup 橡子 | 橡子

crustacean (n) any of various types of water animals with a hard shell

甲殼類動物 | 甲壳类动物

humus (n) dark soil made up of decayed plants 腐殖土 | 腐殖土

vital (adj) extremely important 必不可少的 | 必不可少的

essential (adj) necessary and important 必要的 | 必要的

biodiversity (n) natural environment 生物多樣性 | 生物多样性

habitat (n) the natural environment in which an animal usually lives

棲息地 | 栖息地

soil erosion (n) the washing away of soil by the flow of water

土壤侵蝕 | 土壤侵蚀

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at fault (phr) to have done something wrong 有過錯 | 有过错

INVESTIGATE

crunchy (adj) (of food) that makes a loud noise when you eat it

鬆脆的 | 松脆的

pesticide (n) a chemical used to kill harmful insects and wild plants

殺蟲劑 | 杀虫剂

squash (n) inside 番瓜類蔬菜 | 番瓜类蔬菜

PICS & FACTS

boarding school (n) a school where students study and live

寄宿學校 | 寄宿学校

botany (n) the scientific study of plants 植物學 | 植物学

cabin (phr v) a small room in a ship 船艙 | 船舱

companion (n) someone who does things together with you 同伴 | 同伴

criticise (v) to give negative comments 批評 | 批评

distant cousin (n) a cousin in your family who is not closely related to

you 遠房表親 | 远房表亲

fossil (n) the hard remains of a prehistoric plant or animal found inside a

rock 化石 | 化石

geology (n) the study of the substances that make up the Earth's

surface 地質學 | 地质学

hideous (adj) very ugly 極醜的 | 极丑的

honourable (adj) deserving respect and admiration 體面的 | 体面的

naturalist (n) an expert in plants and animals 博物學者 | 博物学者

ostrich (n) a very large bird that cannot fly 駝鳥 | 鸵鸟

palaeontologist (n) millions of years ago 古生物學家 | 古生物学家

pampas (n) the large area of flat, grassy land in South America

南美大草原 | 南美大草原

pioneer (n) one of the first people who do something that no one else

has done before 先驅 | 先驱

principle (n) basic rules or laws 原理 | 原理

profession (n) a type of job that requires special education or training

專業 | 专业

PICS & FACTS

rare (adj) very uncommon 罕見的 | 罕见的

recommend (v) to suggest that something would be good 推介 | 推介

Reverend (n) a title for a priest of the Christian Church 牧師 | 牧师

scandal (v) disgrace 恥辱 | 耻辱

spear (v) to put a pointed object into something 刺 | 刺

vicar (n) a priest in the Church of England who is in charge of a church
教區牧師 | 教区牧师

zoological (adj) relating to the scientific study of animals
動物學的 | 动物学的

WILD LIFE

agile (adj) able to move your body quickly and easily 敏捷的 | 敏捷的

agility (n) the ability to move your body quickly and easily

敏捷的身手 | 敏捷的身手

chick (n) a baby bird 小鳥 | 小鸟

crumb (n) very small pieces of bread, cake or biscuit 麵包屑 | 面包屑

graze (v) to eat grass 吃草 | 吃草

lawn mower (n) a machine used for cutting grass 割草機 | 割草机

nosey parker (n) someone who is too curious about other people's
business 愛管閒事的人 | 爱管闲事的人

slug (n) a small creature with a soft body 鼻涕蟲 | 鼻涕虫

the outskirts (n) the parts of a city that are farthest away from the centre
市郊 | 市郊

traffic island (n) a raised area on a road used especially to separate
traffic 交通安全島 | 交通安全岛

FUN FACTS

electrocute (v) to kill someone by passing electricity through their
body 使人觸電死亡 | 使人触电死亡

fart (v) to release gas through your bottom 放屁 | 放屁

give it a go (idiom) to try something 試一下 | 试一下

guarantee (n) a written promise by a company to replace or repair a
product 保證單 | 保证单

FUN FACTS

last (v) to continue to be in good quality 維持 | 维持

monument (n) a large structure built to honour a special person or
event 紀念性建築物 | 纪念性建筑物

on strike (phr) refusing to work or attend school 罷工 / 罷課 | 罢工 / 罢课

parliament (n) a group of people who make the law for their country
國會 | 国会

refund (n) a sum of money that is returned to you 退款 | 退款

rivet (n) a metal pin 鉚釘 | 铆钉