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- 1 A *past participle* shows that an action is complete, for example, 'ridden', 'flown', 'saved'. A *present participle* shows that an action is not yet complete, for example, 'riding', 'eating', 'waiting'. *Auxiliaries* are words that go with the participles to form the past, present or future tense. For example, I **have flown** over Africa twice — the action has been completed; I **shall have flown** over Africa twice — the action will be completed in the future; I **will be riding** through the grasslands — the action will be occurring in the future; I **was riding** through the grasslands when I saw the lion — the action was occurring in the past; **we are riding** through the grasslands — the action is occurring in the present. Read the sentences and complete the grid below. The first one has been done for you.

Sentence	Participle	Auxiliaries and tense
The remains of the Kalahari gemsbok <i>will be</i> quickly <i>consumed</i> .	Consumed Past participle	Will be Future tense
It was very thirsty travelling.		
During the night I had finally arrived.		
I am trekking through the deserts.		
I saw a seagull flying through the waves of sand below me.		
We had to climb out.		

- 2 Complete the crossword puzzle using the clues and the puzzle words below.

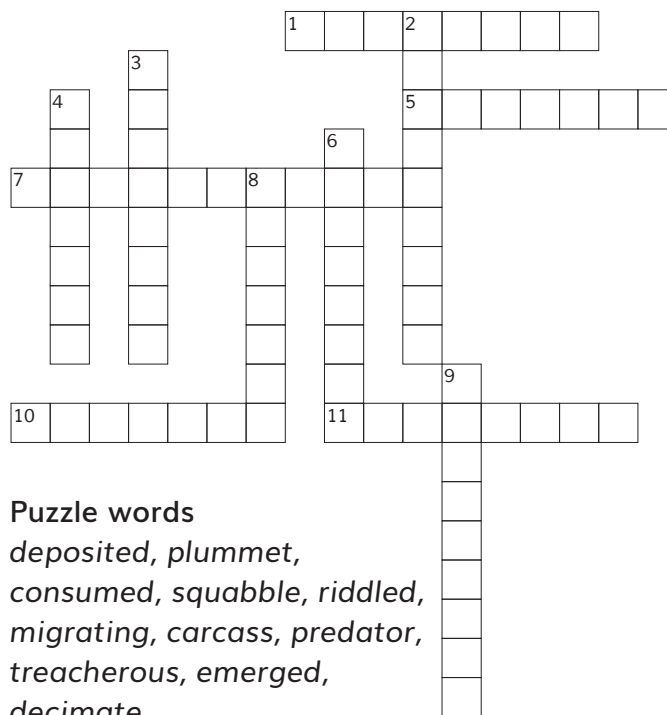
Crossword clues

Across

1. Killer
5. Dropped
7. Dangerous
10. Peppered
11. Destroy

Down

2. Fall down
3. Argue
4. Remains
6. Devoured
8. Appeared
9. Travelling

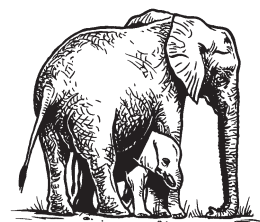


Puzzle words

deposited, plummet,
consumed, squabble, riddled,
migrating, carcass, predator,
treacherous, emerged,
decimate

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- 1 Personification means human qualities are given to non-human creatures and objects. For example, "I watched the sun sink lower and lower in the sky. Eventually, the horizon swallowed it."
Can you find examples of personification on the following pages?



- a (p.16) _____
- b (p.18) _____
- c (p.20) _____
- 2 Use the book to help you sort the following environmental features into the chart below.
Use each feature only once.

dust funnels, dense undergrowth, channels, water currents, reed beds, grassy plains, sand dunes, crater, sea, powerful winds, flood plain, hot air currents, streams, fog, waterhole, salt pans, rocks, valleys, shoreline, canopy, tiny islands, ancient riverbeds, mirages

Environment	Features
Mountain forest	
Desert	
Coast	
Swamp	
Grasslands	
Volcano	

- 3 Locate and then read the following words in their sentences. Write down what you think each word means.
- a Fateful (p.16) _____
- b Impenetrable (p.17) _____
- c Abundance (p.19) _____
- d Dwindling (p.21) _____
- e Amassed (p.27) _____
- f Ambushed (p.27) _____
- g Torrential (p.28) _____