

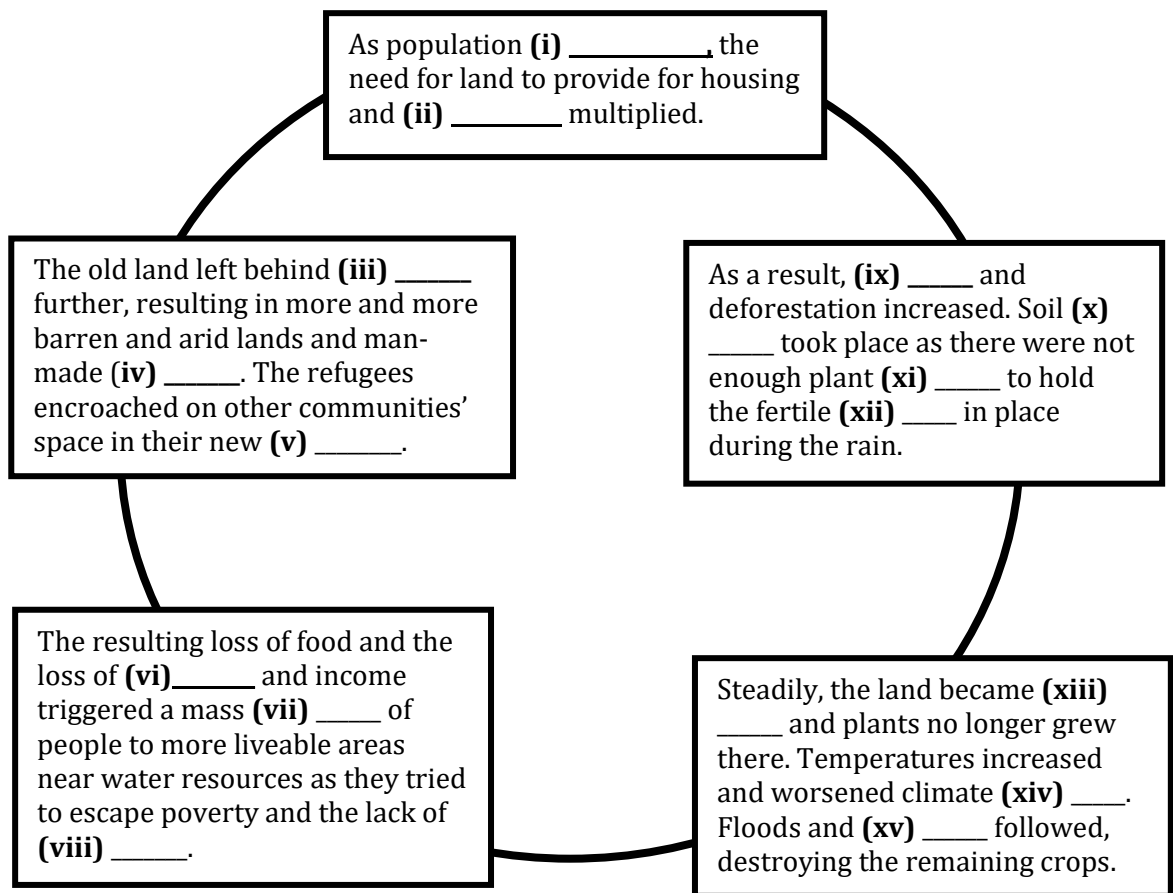
Oh! To Break This Vicious Cycle

An activity of "Growing a Great Green Wall in Africa"

Stories like "Growing a Great Green Wall in Africa" (page 06, *What's Up* June 2021) show us that countries working together can make a big difference to climate change. Read it carefully.

- The diagram below shows the vicious cycle of desertification. Work in small groups. Based on the information in the article and your own understanding, complete the diagram. Fill in the gaps using the alphabet for the appropriate helping word, given in the table below.
- Mark each arc below with an arrowhead (e.g. → or ←) to indicate the direction of the cycle.

(a) desertification	(d) livelihood	(g) erosion	(j) droughts	(m) homeland
(b) change	(e) degraded	(h) farming	(k) nourishment	(n) increased
(c) logging	(f) infertile	(i) roots	(l) exodus	(o) topsoil



- In your groups, discuss and suggest **THREE** ways to break the above vicious cycle. What can be done at each stage of the cycle above to slow down desertification? Write down your suggestions on the other side of this sheet.