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Edited by Andrew S. Goudie  
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Encapsulating tsunamis, elephant conservation, ocean pollution, mining regulation, authoritative articles in this unique and wide-ranging encyclopedia investigate all types on Earth. The entries cover a range of general research categories: altered ecosystem water supply, population, politics and global change, institutions and policies, biograp

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Andrew S. Goudie, a distinguished physical geographer, is Master of St. Cross College of the Geographical Association.

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1. select link to view entry

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2. use "In this entry" links to navigate within article

The screenshot shows the search results for 'Biodiversity'. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links like HOME, BROWSE, PREFACE, CONTRIBUTORS, ABBREVIATIONS, ADMINISTRATOR AREA, HELP, CONTACT US, ABOUT OXFORD DRS, and LOG OUT. Below this, there are buttons for CROSS-REFERENCE, PRINT THIS ENTRY, and EMAIL THIS ENTRY. A search results section shows the entry for 'Biodiversity' with a link to 'See Biological Diversity; Evolution of Life; Fishing; and Valuation.' Below the search results, there is a 'See also' section with links to Biological Diversity, Evolution of Life, Fishing, and Valuation. There is also an 'Adjacent entries' section with links to Basel Convention, Beaches, Belief Systems, and Research, Herb Management.

The screenshot shows the full article for 'Biological Diversity'. The article text discusses the term biological diversity, its various forms, and its importance. It mentions that biological diversity includes living things from all taxonomic groups and levels of biological organization. It also discusses the concept of genetic diversity and its role in adaptation to changing environmental conditions. The article is structured with sections like 'Biological Diversity', 'Kinds of Biological Diversity', and 'Genetic Diversity'. There are also sections for 'In this entry' and 'See also' with links to related topics.

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conditions, while genetic variation among individuals in a single population differ from one another, and a single organism can be endowed with variation from its genetically different parents. Genetic difference among populations of a single species can represent adaptation to local conditions, while genetic variation among individuals in a single population offers the potential for adaptation to changing environmental conditions, which is especially important as the raw material for evolutionary response to global change. Genetic variation within individuals is thought to confer greater survival over that of individuals who

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