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Tuesday English News Report: Broadcast Date: Nov 27th, 2018



Part I: Listen to the news item below being read out and fill in the missing words.

Sotheby; latest auction house to end rhino horn sales



Sotheby's on Saturday became the latest international auction house to end the sale of rhino horn artifacts, withdrawing antique lots from an upcoming event in Hong Kong following an (1) **outcry** from environmental groups.

The auction house had been due to put three lots of rhinoceros horn *under the hammer* at a sale next week.

"Sotheby's deplores any (2) <u>illegal</u> slaughter and trading of endangered wildlife, and strongly supports conservation efforts from the (3) **global** community," Nicolas Chow, chairman of Sotheby's Asia confirmed in a statement.

The decision comes after Bonhams cancelled its sale in HongKong following **mounting** (4) **pressure**. The decision came after thirty-seven wildlife conservation organizations including WildAid wrote to the company demanding it cancel the **auction** and stop future sales. An online (5) **petition** describing the Bonhams sale as **unethical** had been signed by more than 10,000 people.

Environmental groups warned even a small uptick in demand for trading in antique rhino horns would push rhinos closer to (6) **extinction**.

South Africa, which is home to about 80 percent of the world rhino population, has been hit hardest by **poachers**. More than 7,100 animals have been killed over the past decade.

Rhino horns are highly coveted in Asia, where they have fetched up to \$60,000 per kilogram.

Thinking corner:



Article adapted from Coconuts, Hong Kong dated Nov 25th, 2018

- *Do you believe in helping to protect endangered species? If yes, why?
- * Name an species under threat in Hong Kong: pink dolphin
- **Name at least 3 reasons as to why this animal is endangered?

PART II: Fill in the missing part of the headlines below or answer the questions about headline news items.

- 1. 10 pedestrians lift minibus to save 4-year-old girl **trapped** underneath
- 2. 31 dead in Ugandan boat accident, <u>toll</u> expected to rise

 Which continent is Uganda in? <u>Africa</u>
- 3. Which country in Europe has had protests about rising fuel costs? France
- 4. Which country near Hong Kong has rejected making same-sex marriages legal?

Taiwan

Part III: Who's who? Name the faces or 'things'



Part III: Vocabulary and understanding meaning: *Match the meaning and/or synonym (words with a similar or the same meaning) to the words which have been taken from the news items this month.*

Column A: Word from news	Letter	Column B: Meaning or synonym
1. slaughter (v)	D	A: Grow larger or more numerous.
2. mount (v)	Α	B: A public sale in which goods or property are sold
		to the highest bidder/to sell to the highest bidder
3. auction (verb/noun)	В	C: A person who hunts or catches game (wild
		animals) or fish and which is against the law
4. unethical (adj)	E	D: Kill (people or animals) in a cruel or violent way,
		typically in large numbers.
5. poachers (n)	С	E: Not morally correct.

* Keep your eye on the news!

