

# The Rhino's Last Stand

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Read the following text where a number of words are missing. Write ONE word in each gap. The word should make sense in the context and fit in grammatically. Remember to check your spelling.

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**In a newspaper article, a journalist who visited Kaziranga National Park in northern India describes a meeting with a white rhino and goes on to tell us how the existence of these animals is threatened by poachers, i.e. people who illegally kill the animals to make a profit from their horns.**

Together with forest ranger Pankaj Sherma, I visited the Kaziranga National Park.

We went out in a Jeep to \_\_\_\_\_<sub>1</sub> for rhinos. When we turned a bend in

the track, we almost \_\_\_\_\_<sub>2</sub> into a white rhino mother with her calf.

A few seconds \_\_\_\_\_<sub>3</sub> we were speeding down the track with this

massive creature in hot pursuit.

An animal of this kind \_\_\_\_\_<sub>4</sub> around four tons and I was

scared stiff, but for Mr Sherma, on the other \_\_\_\_\_<sub>5</sub>, it was just an

occupational hazard. Being attacked from behind is not a problem, he says. From

the front, it is a \_\_\_\_\_<sub>6</sub> matter. Once he had to reverse for more than a

mile, before the beast \_\_\_\_\_<sub>7</sub> interest.

In our case, the mother soon \_\_\_\_\_<sub>8</sub> up, perhaps realising

she would never \_\_\_\_\_<sub>9</sub> up with us. We were doing 40 miles an

\_\_\_\_\_<sub>10</sub> and she only 35. Fortunately for \_\_\_\_\_<sub>11</sub> who

come too close to a rhino, these animals are short-sighted and almost deaf with a

limited sense of smell. As a result they usually don't pay \_\_\_\_\_<sub>12</sub> to

intrusions from tourists in the area, \_\_\_\_\_<sub>13</sub> they are provoked as in

our case. But these qualities together with their methodical habits—they graze in

the same spots and follow regular tracks—make them easy \_\_\_\_\_<sup>14</sup> for poachers.

A kilo of Asian horns fetches £25,000 in the medicine markets in Taipei and Hong Kong. The huge demand for horns has brought the animal \_\_\_\_\_<sup>15</sup> to extinction. It is estimated that only 2,000 rhinos \_\_\_\_\_<sup>16</sup> in India and Nepal. Of these, 1,200 are to be found in the Kaziranga Park and this is probably their last habitat on earth.

But poaching has \_\_\_\_\_<sup>17</sup> alarmingly despite vigilant staff. An average of 30 to 40 animals are \_\_\_\_\_<sup>18</sup> every year. The poachers are clever. Some of them \_\_\_\_\_<sup>19</sup> shooting for fear of alerting the park rangers. Instead they electrocute the animals by fixing cables to high tension wires. When the horns are removed they enter a complex smuggling network that carries them to the pharmacies of the Far \_\_\_\_\_<sup>20</sup>.



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# Bedömningsanvisning

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20 poäng

Ord med stavfel som bedöms göra orden obegripliga eller leda till missförstånd för en engelskspråkig person ger 0 poäng. Rätta/accepterade svar som innehåller stavfel ger 1 poäng. Ett avdrag för antal felstavade ord görs från slutsumman med högst 2 poäng enligt rutan till höger:

Antal felstavade ord	Poängavdrag från slutsumman
1-2	0
3-4	1
5-	2(maxavdrag)

	1 poäng	Acc	0 poäng
1	search; look; watch	wait	see
2	ran; drove; bumped; crashed		hit; run
3	later; afterwards	after	
4	weighs; is		weigh; was; weight; weights; weighed
5	hand		side; seat
6	different	serious	another; big; bigger; worse; greater
7	lost		got
8	gave		
9	catch	keep	come; go; get
10	hour		our
11	those; people; us	all	them; anybody; everybody; somebody
12	attention		interest; respect; money; much
13	unless		if; but; when; though
14	game; prey; targets		catch; victims; target; hunt
15	close; near; almost	next; nearly	in; down; up
16	remain; survive; exist; live	are	left; lives
17	grown; increased; expanded	accelerated	been; become; risen; an
18	killed; poached; lost	shot	hunted
19	avoid	stop; quit	avoids; are; stopped ( <i>fel tempus</i> )
20	East	east	