

SAVING ANIMALS

SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article:

a. endangered _____

b. poachers _____

c. nail in the coffin _____

d. compiled _____

e. intensive _____

f. lucrative _____

g. exacerbates _____

h. anonymous _____

i. appalling _____

j. driven _____

1.- put together

2.- concealed

3.- fuelled

4.- remunerative

5.- deathblow

6.- worsens

7.- dire

8.- threatened

9.- exhaustive

10.-illegal hunters

LISTENING . Listen and fill in the spaces.

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Internet trade threatens exotic animals BNE:

The world's endangered species are _____ from yet another source, in addition to poachers, collectors wanting _____ rhino heads and Chinese medicine practitioners. Internet shoppers are creating a boom in the sale of _____ animals that represents another nail in the coffin for many creatures threatened with _____. This is according to a report compiled by the International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW). The report "Caught In The Web - Wildlife Trade On The Internet" found in "an _____ one-week Web search", 146 live _____, 5,527 elephant products, 526 turtle and tortoise shells,

2,630 reptile products and 239 wild cat products for sale. There were also _____ numbers of other products.

The report represents the tip of the _____. Experts estimate the _____ illegal global trade is worth billions of dollars a year. The World Wide Web _____ the situation. "Trade on the Internet is easy, cheap and anonymous. The result is a _____ black market where the future of the world's rarest animals is being traded away," said IFAW's Phyllis CampbellMcRae.

The report recommended tougher worldwide protection: "The current legal _____ and enforcement efforts are inadequate to deal with this _____ situation. A more effective response is essential." Ms. CampbellMcRae warned: "Trade in wildlife is _____ by consumer demand, so when the buying stops, the killing will too. Buying wildlife online is as _____ as killing it yourself."

1. Look at the article's headline and guess whether these sentences are true (T) or false (F):

- a. There are collectors who want to buy stuffed rhinoceros heads. T / F
- b. Internet shoppers are increasing the threat to endangered species. T / F
- c. Many animals die in coffins that are nailed down. T / F
- d. A one-week Web search discovered vast quantities of animals for sale. T / F
- e. Many animals are being smuggled on icebergs. T / F
- f. The Web exacerbates the problem because traders are anonymous. T / F
- g. The current legal framework adequately protects animals. T / F
- h. A conservationist urged consumers to kill animals themselves. T / F