

The article describes how **viruses** have **spread** to humans from different **species** of animals. People with these **infections** develop **severe symptoms** and can sometimes die. Several factors have **contributed to** these **outbreaks** of the coronavirus.

Here are some more words you need to know. Match each word/phrase in bold from the article with its meaning.

1. In December 2019, a number of **pneumonia cases** were reported in Wuhan, eastern China. _____
 2. Coronaviruses ... look like **crowns** under the microscope. _____
 3. The World Health Organization has told countries around the world to **track respiratory** infections in their populations. _____
 4. There is currently no **vaccination** against the coronavirus. _____
 5. SARS **was traced** to several types of wild animals, which were sold as food in markets. _____
 6. The outbreak was stopped ... by **isolating** patients. _____
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- a. count how many people have lung/breathing infections
 - b. items worn by a king or queen on their head, usually made of gold, to show their position
 - c. keeping sick people alone so that they cannot make anyone else ill
 - d. medicine to prevent sickness, which is delivered into the body by a needle
 - e. people who were sick with a serious disease of the lungs
 - f. the origin of something was identified