

**Beverly and Dereck Joubert: Documentary Filmmakers /
Conservationists, National Geographic Explorers in
Residence**

- B** Look at the words in the box. Complete the paragraph with the correct word. Not all words will be used.

collectively *adj.* shared or done by a group of people
condone *v.* to allow (something that is considered wrong) to continue
crash *v.* to go down very suddenly and quickly
disrupt *v.* to cause (something) to be unable to continue in the normal way
pride *n.* a group of lions
revenue stream *n.* a flow of money that is made by or paid to a business or an organization

Africa's big cats are endangered, and we are all (1) _____ responsible. Soon, the (2) _____ of lions may disappear. Because we (3) _____ hunting and other activities that put them at risk, their numbers

have (4) _____ in the last 50 years. And it's not only the big cats that are in danger—ecotourism brings in a large (5) _____ to Africa. If the cats disappear, so will the money and jobs.

- C** Beverly and Dereck Joubert are wildlife photographers who publicize the problem of endangered big cats. What do you predict you will hear in their TED Talk? Look at the pictures on the next page. Check (✓) the information you predict you will hear.

- _____ 1. They have spent five years watching a leopard cub grow up.
_____ 2. They are also researching the behavior of giraffes and elephants.
_____ 3. Their investigations have shown that these lions are essential.
_____ 4. Lion bones are being sold.

While You Watch

A  Watch the TED Talk. Circle the main idea.

-  1. It's necessary to study big cats over many years.
2. If the big cats disappear, many other species may disappear.
3. Beverly and Dereck Joubert believe that big cats are beautiful.

B  Watch the TED Talk again and match the photo that illustrates the TED Talk to the correct caption.

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| _____ a. If a male lion is killed, the members of his pride may also die. | _____ c. Legadema trusts the Jouberts and lets them come close to her. |
| _____ b. The Jouberts have discovered that some lions hunt in the water. | _____ d. The Jouberts have studied a young leopard named Legadema since she was a baby. |



After You Watch

A Complete the summary with the words in the box.

extinction passionate photographing respect survive

Beverly and Dereck Joubert are (1) _____ about protecting the African wilderness. They have spent many years studying and (2) _____ big cats. In the last 50 years, these cats have been pushed to the edge of (3) _____ by hunters. The Jouberts believe that if the big cats are viewed with (4) _____, they can survive. And if the big cats (5) _____, they can help us maintain our connection to nature and to other human beings.

B Match the phrases to the information from the video.

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| _____ 1. number of lions alive now | a. \$80 billion |
| _____ 2. number of leopards left in the wild | b. 5 |
| _____ 3. years the Jouberts have been filming big cats | c. 20,000 |
| _____ 4. amount of ecotourism revenue stream | d. 50,000 |
| _____ 5. number of years the Jouberts followed Legadema | e. 28 |

C Read the statements below. Circle the ones that paraphrase information in the TED Talk.

1. Many kinds of big cats live in the African wilderness.
2. It's important to protect big cats and the humans who live near them.
3. There used to be more than 450,000 lions in Africa.
4. It is wrong to hunt and kill lions for sport.
5. If we aren't connected to nature, we will lose hope.