

Task 1

For questions 1-10, match the words in the text with the definition that fits best in the same context. There are two words you must not use. You must use each word only ONCE.

Illegal wildlife trade 'threatening national security', says WWF

Group says organised crime syndicates are 'outgunning' governments, leading to sharp rise in elephant and rhino deaths. Illicit trade in wildlife has exploded into a \$19bn criminal enterprise, threatening government stability and national security, the WWF warned on Wednesday.

A report from the world's biggest conservation group said the **current** effort to stop trafficking in ivory, rhino horn, and other endangered species was pitifully inadequate against the powerful and sophisticated crime syndicates with a global reach.

"It has been a failure. We are losing these populations in front of our eyes," Carter Roberts, the president of WWF, said in an interview. "It is being outgunned in terms of technology. It is being outgunned in terms of resources, and it is being outgunned, worst of all, in terms of organisation." The report, compiled by the Dalberg consulting firm, was based on interviews with government officials in countries on both sides of the **smuggling** chain in Africa and Asia.

The conservation group plans to **brief** United Nations ambassadors on the crisis on Wednesday, to **spur** greater effort from governments to fight trafficking. Roberts said turn-out at the event would provide a good indication of governments' willingness to take on an issue that, until **recently**, was relegated to the margins, seen only as a conservation issue. But the nature of trafficking was changing, the report warned. Within the past year alone, organised crime syndicates armed with military-issue machine guns have **slaughtered** hundreds of elephants at a time in places like Cameroon's Bouba Ndjida national park, the report said. WWF says the wildlife trade appears to **fund** terrorist cells in unstable African countries – threatening national security – and that the industry often uses the same networks and routes as other illegal trades, such as drug trafficking.

Over the past five years, meanwhile, the numbers of rhinos **poached** in South Africa has risen exponentially, from about 20 a year to an expected 600 this year, Roberts said. "It is shocking to see the numbers grow the way they have," he said.

Elsewhere, powdered rhino horn, a medicine that has now morphed into a status symbol in some parts of south-east Asia, sold for upwards of \$100,000/kg. The **average** rhino horn was worth \$600,000 – a price that gave the traffickers plenty of cash to pay off corrupt government officials. On Monday, Vietnam and South Africa signed an agreement to **curb** rhino poaching.

The explosion of the trade – and the involvement of organised crime and violent rebel groups – this year captured the attention of the Pentagon and the state department. The secretary of state, Hillary Clinton, last month **upgraded** trafficking from a conservation issue into a national security threat. Wildlife trafficking now threatened government control and national borders, she said.

0. surpass in fire power outgun ·	
1. control, restrain	
2. furnish money	
3. urge	
4. illegal trading	
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5. kill animals	
6. menace	
7. make a summary	
8. raise in value, importance, esteem, etc.	
9. up-to-date, present	
10. the typical or normal amount, quantity, degree, etc	

Task 2

Use the sentences (A-L) from the grid below to complete the numbered blanks in the text (1-11). There are two sentences you will not need. You must use each sentence only ONCE.

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- A Therefore ask yourself which are the things you find most valuable and worthy to you
- B Consequently, concentrate on what your family really needs
- C as a result, you will see that when you share the pie, it tastes even better
- D Highly effective people adhere to this habit based on the principle that all things are created twice
- E Doing this is the habit of creative cooperation where you work as a team to find new solutions to existing problems
- F We are also taught that there is only so much pie to go around
- G Regardless of how you were raised or how you were treated at school, you are able to choose your behaviour now

H you can see that balancing your confidence with empathy can help you achieve your goals while helping others achieve theirs

I you are at risk of other people and external circumstances influencing your life because you are not influencing it yourself

J you can find that you ignore what others are saying and miss their meaning entirely

K you can give better advice to others and help them solve their problems

L While we have all of these time-saving devices and we are told we can have it all if we just achieve that elusive work-life balance

M This post is a parody to the concepts presented in the book.

7 Habits of Highly Frugal People

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The book 7 Habits of Highly Effective People has sold over 15 million copies since it was first published in 1989, teaching people all over the world how to live a happier, more successful and more satisfying life. 1

Be proactive. The first habit of highly effective people is to take responsibility for their own lives; if they

fail, they have no one to blame but themselves. 2.

This means understanding that you are in control of the direction your life takes and in control of your day to day interactions, whereas a reactive person is often affected by their environment and will find external sources to blame for their behaviour, for example, if the weather is good, they are in a good mood but if the weather is bad, it affects their attitude and so the weather is to blame for their bad mood.

Begin with the end in mind. Those who are effective in achieving their goals are able to envisage their end result despite the obstacles. 3, there is the first mental creation and then the second physical creation, and the physical creation follows the mental creation in the same way as the building follows its blueprints. If you don't visualize what you want out of life, then 4. Instead, begin every day and every task with a clear vision of where you want to go and how you're going to get there and make that vision a reality with your proactive skills from habit one.

Put first things first. Knowing why you are doing something is an effective motivator in helping you take the mental creation and transform that into an actual physical creation of your goal. 5. When you put these things first you will be organizing and managing your time around your personal priorities to make them a reality.

However, for many people it is hard to say no but this is exactly the skill you have to learn to be able to keep your goals as your first priority. 6, in reality having it all is really about prioritizing which it is most important to you to have, and then doing that properly.

Think win-win. Most of us are taught to base our self-worth on comparisons to others and competition against our peers. We think we can only succeed if someone else has failed and if you win, then that must mean I lost. 7 _____ and if you get a big piece then I'm going to be missing out. When you think like this, you are always going to feel like you're missing out on something and nothing is ever fair. As a result many

of us retaliate and take the pie before someone else can take it from us.

Thinking in this mindset allows you to see mutual benefits from all of your interactions and 8 _____. If you are able to approach conflicts and problems with a win-win attitude by showing integrity and standing up for your true feelings and values, it allows you to express your ideas and feelings with courage while having consideration for the feelings and ideas of others. When you focus on an abundance mentality, you are able to see that there is enough for everyone and 9 _____.

Communication. This is often the desire to be heard and understood and most people will listen with the intention to reply to what you're saying rather than to understand what you have said. However, to effectively do so you need to first understand and then be understood because if you communicate with the sole intention of being understood, 10 _____.

Synergise. Interactions and teamwork are some of the most important ways you can learn new skills and more effective behaviours. 11 _____. This is not something which just happens but is a process where you need to bring all of your personal experiences and expertise to the table to enable more effective results than you would have been able to achieve individually – the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

When you have genuine interactions with people, you are able to gain new insights and see new approaches to your problems which you would not have otherwise thought of.