

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