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LO: To answer mixed domain comprehension questions based on a non-fiction text.

Me	Can I answer mixed domain comprehension questions based on a non-fiction text by .?
	completing an echo read, following the text with my eyes?
	identifying the domain of a question to help me choose relevant strategies?
	underlining key words, phrases or instructions in the questions?
	skimming and scanning to identify the relevant section of the text?
	underlining the parts of the text that will help me form my answer?
	writing my answer in the provided space so that it is legible?





Today, we are going to be reading a non-fiction text called Endangered.

Knowing what the title is, what do you think this text may be about?



# Endangered

#### Introduction

Endangered animals are those species that are considered likely to become extinct, based on a current population trend. Their numbers known in the wild are low and thought to be decreasing.

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According to a recent update of the 'Red List' produced by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), 834 different species have now been classified as 'Extinct' with another 69 as 'Extinct in the Wild'.

Some other species are currently classed as Endangered or Critically Endangered, if facing a high or extremely high risk of extinction. There are further categories including Vulnerable and Near-Threatened for species which may face a risk of endangerment in the near future.

A large proportion of primates (such as apes, lemurs and monkeys) are at risk. However, there are success stories too. Some animals, like the bald eagle and the American alligator were once on the brink of extinction but are now known to be recovering.

## What causes endangerment or extinction?

Animal extinction can occur due to natural or human causes. Natural causes include change of climate or sea levels. In more modern times, the most common causes are from human intervention such as hunting or habitat destruction. There are other possibilities too such as pollution, new diseases, new predators or a single catastrophic event.

#### Why save them?

Plants and animals can be extremely important for the ecosystem of the Earth. Species depend on each other for survival. Aside from this, we want to be able to enjoy the beauty of nature and once a species becomes extinct, it has gone forever.

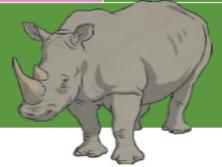
#### Black Rhino

Population:

More than 5000

Critically Endangered

Hunted for food or simply entertainment, the black rhino population went into decline due to European settlers in Africa during the 20th century. Despite being one of the oldest groups of mammals on the planet, their habitats have been destroyed and for many years, they have been killed for the illegal trade of their horn.









According to the introduction of the text, how many species have now been classified as 'Extinct in the Wild'?



What reading domain is this? How do you know?



What strategies would we use for this type of question?

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How tall was the dodo bird thought to be?



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What other animals does the text list as being now extinct? Tick 3.



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Passenger Pigeon	$\checkmark$
West African Black Rhino	$\checkmark$
Mountain Gorilla	
Tasmanian Tiger	$\checkmark$
Black Rhino	
Giant Panda	

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