



Unit 9

Magazine Article

Do you think Hong Kong is a good place for wild animals and plants to live in? Read the leaflet below. Think about why some species are becoming extinct.

Endangered Wild Animals and Plants in Hong Kong

Black-faced Spoonbill



- lives in coastal wetlands
- the shape of its beak looks like a spoon
- feeds on shrimps ☒ has fewer supplies of food because of pollution
- wetlands are destroyed by urban development ☒ lack of habitat

Pangolin



- a kind of rare mammal
- lives in country parks
- is regarded as a delicacy in China and Vietnam ☒ hunted for its meat
- its scales are used as a precious Chinese medicine that is claimed to be able to cure all diseases ☒ hunted for its scales

Incense Tree



- is found in country parks
- the wood produces a special scent
- can be sold at very high prices ☒ logged down illegally to make incense and Chinese medicine
- urban development ☒ not enough land for plants to grow

Leopard Cat



- lives on trees in country parks
- trees are cut down to make more land for urban development ☒ affects the supply of food
- its fur has a unique pattern, i.e. with stripes like a tiger's and spots like a leopard's
- looks special ☒ caught for the pet market

Date: _____

Based on the information in the leaflet, choose ONE endangered species to write about. Think of the harm people do to it and ways to protect it. Complete the table with your own ideas.

Title	'Save the _____'
Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information in a leaflet• What is the endangered species and where are / were the animals / plants found?
Body (Paragraph 2) Problem 1	Problem: _____
	What people do: _____ _____
	Result: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____
	Action: _____
Body (Paragraph 3) Problem 2	Problem: _____
	What people do: _____
	Result: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____
	Action: _____
Conclusion	Call for action: _____

Date:

Now write an article for your school magazine about protecting an endangered species in Hong Kong. Write at least 120 words.

Write the name and issue of the magazine. Include your class and name. Add a catchy title.

Paragraph 1: Explain why you are writing this article.

Paragraphs 2-3: In each paragraph, list a problem the species is facing. Include a topic sentence, state real facts and suggest ways to help the animals / plants.

Paragraph 4: Restate the most important message to readers.

_____ Issue _____ School Magazine

I have read some information about _____