



# SeaWorld/Busch Gardens Rhino Rally

## 4-12 Classroom Activities

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## Rhino-It-All

### OBJECTIVE

The students will identify various facts about rhinoceroses.

**Before activity preparation:** Discuss the different species of rhinos as listed in the Background Information section. Just like game shows, some answers you know, others you have to think about and guess. Feel free to simplify this game's language or make it easier with multiple choice for younger participants.

### ACTION

1. Divide the class into three or more teams.
2. Ask the students a question from the quiz sheet provided. If the group does not get the question correct, it passes to the next group until someone gets the right answer. The entire group confers and must come to a consensus answer. (*Note:* to minimize the time allotted to each answer, use a timer from another board game. The students must answer the question as a group before the timer is out.)
3. The first group to successfully complete 10 questions are the rhino experts. It is up to the teacher's discretion how to award such a prestigious accomplishment.

### MATERIALS

- Rhino quiz cards (see below)
- sand timer (from a board game)

## Rhino-It-All Quiz Questions

Q: Rhino horn is used by different cultures for what purposes?

A: Medicine, aphrodisiacs, ceremonial dagger handles.

Q: How many species of rhino are endangered?

A: All 5 are endangered due to habitat loss or poaching or both.

Q: T/F Rhino horn is worth twice as much as gold in certain parts of the world.

A: True.

Q: Rhino horn is composed of what substance?

A: Keratin. Human fingernails and hair are also composed of keratin.

Q: What are the closest relatives of rhinos?

A: Zebras and horses.

Q: Black rhino babies weigh about \_\_\_ pounds?

A: 75 to 80 pounds.

Q: T/F Rhino mothers are not protective of their calf.

A: False! In fact, after a baby rhino urinates or defecates, its mother will urinate over the top of it in order to throw off predators.

Q: Gestation for a black rhino is about \_\_\_\_\_ months?

A: 15 months.

Q: Are baby rhinos born with horns?

A: No.

Q: Baby black rhinos walk in back of their mothers. Where do white rhino babies walk?

A: In front.

Q: What is a group of rhinos called?

A: A crash.

Q: Which rhino species has the most hair?

A: Sumatran.

Q: T/F White rhinos are gregarious and live in small groups.

A: True.

Q: Which two species of rhino only have one horn?

A: Indian and Javan rhinos.

Q: Where can 80% of the white rhino population be found?

A: South Africa.

Q: Which rhino is most endangered?

A: Javan.

Q: Indian and Javan rhinos look armor-plated, but those pieces of "armor" are really just...

A: Skin folds.

Q: White rhinos are the largest species of rhino. How much can they weigh?

A: Up to 8,000 pounds.

Q: T/F Asian rhinos enjoy swimming.

A: True.

Q: The horn of a white rhino can grow to?

A: 5 ½ feet.

Q: T/F There are more African species of rhino than there are Asian.

A: False.

Q: Why do rhinos roll in the mud?

A: The mud cools them and repels insects.

Q: Black rhinos have a prehensile lip. What does prehensile mean?

A: Gripping or grasping.

Q: Why are they called black rhinos?

A: They appeared black when they were first discovered because they had been rolling in mud.

Q: Black rhinos cannot see very well. What other two senses do they rely on more?

A: Smell and hearing.

Q: Are male or female rhinos larger in size?

A: Male.

Q: How many offspring do rhinos generally have at one time?

A: Normally only one.