



How Fast Can Rhinos Charge Compared to Humans?

Description

There are five species of rhino still alive today, all characterised by their strong bodies, thick skin, and formidable horns. The largest is the white rhino, which includes northern and southern subspecies. Adult males can weigh up to 3,500 kg, comparable to a motorhome. Even the smallest, the Sumatran rhino, weighs about 1,000 kg, similar to two grand pianos.

Generally, rhinos are calm herbivores, having no natural predators due to their size. They mainly roam around on their three-toed feet, munching on plants. Rhinos are also known for their poor eyesight; they can only see clearly at distances of 15 to 20 metres. This short-sightedness can lead to charging if they are startled by sudden noises or movements.

Despite their bulk, rhinos can run surprisingly fast. Adult white rhinos can achieve speeds up to 40 miles per hour, while black rhinos can reach 35 miles per hour, and Sumatran rhinos can run at 25 miles per hour. However, they can only sustain these speeds for a short distance before becoming tired.

In case one finds themselves facing a charging rhino, advice varies. It's best to avoid such situations. If not, finding cover behind a large object or running in a zig-zag pattern can help evade them. Staying calm and holding your ground may also work, as many charges are often just bluffs intended to intimidate.

Vocabulary List:

1. **species** //ˈspiːʃiːz// (noun): a group of similar animals or plants
2. **characterised** //ˈkærəktə,raɪzd// (verb): described by particular features or qualities
3. **formidable** //ˈfɔːrmɪdəbl// (adjective): very large, strong, and likely to frighten
4. **herbivores** //ˈhɜːbə,vɔːrɪz// (noun): animals that eat only plants for food
5. **sustain** //səˈsteɪn// (verb): keep something going for some time
6. **intimidate** //ɪnˈtɪmɪ,deɪt// (verb): make someone afraid so they do something

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What is the largest species of rhino?



- Option: Black rhino
- Option: Sumatran rhino
- Option: White rhino
- Option: Javan rhino

2. How much can adult male white rhinos weigh?

- Option: 1,000 kg
- Option: 2,000 kg
- Option: 3,500 kg
- Option: 5,000 kg

3. What is the main diet of rhinos?

- Option: Carnivorous diet
- Option: Fruits and nuts
- Option: Herbivorous diet
- Option: Insects

4. What is the top speed of a black rhino?

- Option: 25 miles per hour
- Option: 30 miles per hour
- Option: 35 miles per hour
- Option: 40 miles per hour

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5. At what distance can rhinos see clearly?

- Option: 5 to 10 metres
- Option: 15 to 20 metres
- Option: 25 to 30 metres
- Option: 35 to 40 metres

6. What behavior can sometimes follow a sudden noise around rhinos?

- Option: Running away
- Option: Charging
- Option: Eating
- Option: Sleeping

True-False

7. All species of rhinos are smaller than 1,000 kg.



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8. Rhinos are known for their excellent eyesight.
 9. Adult white rhinos can run at speeds up to 40 miles per hour.
 10. There are currently seven species of rhino alive today.
 11. Rhinos have no natural predators due to their size.
 12. Finding cover behind a small object is the recommended advice if facing a charging rhino.

Gap-Fill

13. The largest rhino is the white rhino, which includes _____ and southern subspecies.
14. The Sumatran rhino weighs about _____, similar to two grand pianos.
15. Rhinos can only see clearly at distances of _____ metres.
16. Adult white rhinos can achieve speeds up to _____ miles per hour.
17. If facing a charging rhino, it's best to avoid such situations and consider _____
behind a large object.
18. Many charges by rhinos are often just bluffs intended to _____.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. White rhino 2. 3,500 kg 3. Herbivorous diet 4. 35 miles per hour 5. 15 to 20 metres
6. Charging

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. True 10. False 11. True 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. northern 14. 1,000 kg 15. 15 to 20 16. 40 17. finding cover 18. intimidate

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)



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1. Which geological event involved the sudden release of material from the Earth's crust?
Option: Erosion
Option: Eruption
Option: Sedimentation
Option: Deposition
 2. What type of energy is emitted in the form of rays or particles from a source?
Option: Conduction
Option: Convection
Option: Radiation
Option: Insulation
 3. What term refers to the magnetic field associated with the Earth?
Option: Atmospheric
Option: Geomagnetic
Option: Thermal
Option: Hydrodynamic
 4. What type of notice provides recommendations or warnings to the public?
Option: Mandatory
Option: Obligatory
Option: Advisory
Option: Restricted
 5. What term describes information that is restricted and not accessible to the public?
Option: Open
Option: Confidential
Option: Classified
Option: Public
 6. What word refers to small parts that have broken away from something larger?
Option: Couplings
Option: Chunks
Option: Fragments
Option: Units
 7. What do we call a group of organisms that can reproduce and have similar characteristics?
Option: Genus
Option: Kingdom
Option: Species
Option: Order



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8. Which property measures a fluid's resistance to flow?
Option: Density
Option: Viscosity
Option: Elasticity
Option: Pressure
9. What term describes the act of making someone feel fear or anxiety?
Option: Encourage
Option: Intimidate
Option: Astound
Option: Motivate
10. What is the act of directing the course of vehicles or vessels called?
Option: Exploration
Option: Coordination
Option: Navigation
Option: Estimation

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. In physics, matter is made up of tiny _____ .
12. _____ are highly saline solutions often found in saltwater lakes.
13. An unexpected occurrence in data can be referred to as an _____ .
14. _____ is the eruption of substances like water, ammonia, or methane from the interior of icy worlds.
15. She felt _____ before the big presentation, shaking with nerves.
16. Astronauts experience _____ when they are in space, making them float.
17. In geology, _____ can influence the flow of fluids through rocks.
18. The mountain range presented a _____ challenge to climbers with its steep slopes.
19. Obstacles can _____ progress and make tasks more difficult.



20. Companies are _____ natural resources for economic gain.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. Sailors need to accurately navigate their vessels through treacherous waters.
22. Heavy rain can disrupt travel plans and cause delays.
23. The species was characterised by its unique markings and color patterns.
24. The concept of inertia explains why objects remain at rest unless acted upon by an external force.
25. Some microorganisms use flagella for movement through liquid environments.
26. The television series had a thrilling episode that left viewers on the edge of their seats.
27. The company's brand was differentiated by its innovative marketing strategies.
28. Herbivores primarily feed on plants and are an essential part of the ecosystem.
29. The crowd grew agitated when the concert was delayed for several hours.
30. The weather advisory warned residents of potential thunderstorms and high winds.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Eruption 2. Radiation 3. Geomagnetic 4. Advisory 5. Classified 6. Fragments 7. Species 8. Viscosity 9. Intimidate 10. Navigation

Gap-Fill: 11. particles 12. Brines 13. anomaly 14. Cryovolcanism 15. agitated 16. weightlessness 17. fractures 18. formidable 19. impede 20. exploiting

Matching sentence: 1. navigate 2. disrupt 3. characterised 4. inertia 5. flagella 6. episode 7. differentiated 8. herbivores 9. agitated 10. advisory

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