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In 1992, Venerable Huili embarked on a journey to Africa. He established the first "Amitofo Care Center" (ACC) in Malawi during 2004, dedicated to caring for African vulnerable children and where more than 85% of world's HIV-positive children live. Today, many years later, the founder continues with his compassionate practice of Buddhism in Africa traveling to all corners of Africa, and helping countless precious young lives. Nowadays, he is known as the "African monk" or "Monk dad" in the eyes of thousands of children.

ACC Life Education Lecture-Hsinchu Chung Cheng Junior High School

The first stop of the 2021 multicultural and life education lecture: Zhongzheng Junior High School in Hsinchu County. The school arranged a series of African-related activities and ACC was the first stop to introduce the story of Africa's food, clothing, housing, transportation, entertainment and Taiwan's love in Africa. Both teachers and children could feel the time fly by! During the dinner, the students asked a question:

Why is the hippo not included in the African Big Five?

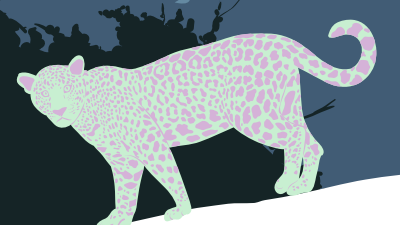
Our answer was: The African Big Five are the; Lions, Leopards, African Buffaloes, Elephants, and Rhinos. (This is a popular saying among Africans.) It's because these animals have the highest degree of difficulty to catch with bare hands, not because of their large size or the fierce fights they put up with. Another reason would be: At the end of the 19th century and the beginning of the last century, many wealthy westerners would spend their holidays in Africa. Among them, hunting was the most enthusiastic activity. Hunting large wild animals on the grassland with a shotgun was a popular fashion at the time, satisfying the desire to conquer (even today there are still protected areas for paid hunting in Africa). Naturally, wild animals are not easy to provoke. At that time, these hunters summarized the wild animals they were most eager to hunt and the most difficult to deal with, as the African Big Five.

And why doesn't the hippo fall under these conditions?

The reasons follows: Hippos like to soak in water but are not very good at swimming, when they run ashore they are relatively cumbersome compared to other animals, and their reaction speed is not agile. Therefore, it is easier for humans with guns to hunt hippos. Popular science knowledge: The African Big Five are very dangerous wild animals, and their numbers are declining. Lions and African elephants are vulnerable species, African buffalo and leopards are near-endangered species, and black rhinos are critically endangered.



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