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## Cloze Passage: A Curator's Reflections

*An activity of "New treasure hunters want to return precious objects to their homelands"*

**"New treasure hunters want to return precious objects to their homelands"** (page 14, *What's Up* July 2022) tells us about a different kind of treasure hunters. These treasure hunters try to return priceless artefacts to their origins. Read the article. Then, complete the following cloze passage with the helping words provided.

collectors	shipment	illegally	donated	suspicious
purchased	learning	looters	vigango	historical

An imaginary journal entry of a museum curator:

"Last week, I received a (a) \_\_\_\_\_ containing 30 beautifully carved grave posts at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. While my first instinct was to think how lucky we were to have a chance to handle artefacts like these, I felt awful when I discovered that they were stolen objects. They were in fact called (b) \_\_\_\_\_ and they were made by the Mijikenda people in Kenya. I had heard about things like this happening and it raised my (c) \_\_\_\_\_ when I looked into the matter. The items were actually (d) \_\_\_\_\_ by some friends of the museum who are wealthy (e) \_\_\_\_\_. However, it seemed that they too were unaware when they (f) \_\_\_\_\_ these artefacts, that they had been obtained (g) \_\_\_\_\_. I had heard about something similar from a friend who works at the British Museum in London. It was brought to their attention that some Cambodian artefacts they have there were stolen by (h) \_\_\_\_\_ who had illegally removed them from temples. As a historian, I am deeply passionate about (i) \_\_\_\_\_ the cultural and (j) \_\_\_\_\_ significance of these artefacts. By removing them illegally, we are destroying priceless heritage."