

HOMEWORK

INTERMEDIATE - DAY 10

1. Reading:

a Read the article and tick (✓) the best summary.

- 1 Lucy went to Ghana to learn how to play football.
- 2 Lucy went to Ghana to help children and get to know the country.
- 3 Lucy went to Ghana because she wants to be a professional football coach.

b Read the article again and mark the sentences T (True) or F (False).

- 1 Lucy was worried about being a female football coach. T
- 2 She had problems with discipline. —
- 3 The football club she worked with was well equipped. —
- 4 She had plenty of free time during the day. —
- 5 The heat was always a problem for her. —
- 6 She was completely happy with her job. —

c Match the highlighted words to the correct definition.

- 1 satisfying
- 2 to have a short sleep
- 3 without shoes or socks
- 4 a person who does something without being paid
- 5 investigating
- 6 incredible, very good
- 7 from the country, not the town
- 8 the noun from *poor*

My African experience



There are so many life-changing experiences available that I had great fun **researching** options for my gap year. Having always played sports, and especially football, I thought teaching children to play football in Ghana (organized by Gap Sports Abroad) sounded different and **amazing**.

Initially I thought that a girl football coach might not be respected, but as soon as I got to Ghana I realized that I was wrong. I worked with the Young Schweppes Football Club in Nungua, a poor area in the city of Accra. I coached under-12, under-14 and under-17 boys from poor **rural** families. The training pitch was a dusty patch of land, and taxis and goats used to cross the pitch during matches! Many of the boys played **in bare feet** and without T-shirts, but their passion for the game was amazing, for thousands of Ghanaian children football is their life, a possible escape from **poverty**.

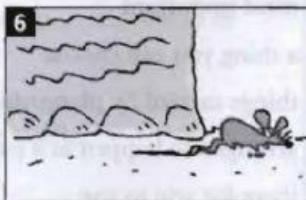
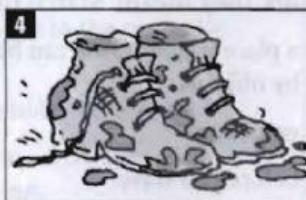
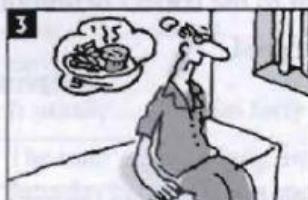
The weather was boiling so I coached early in the morning and in the evening to avoid the midday sun, but after a while I didn't mind the heat any more. During the day I went home to **snooze** or sunbathe, or read on the balcony, or I looked round markets or went to the beach.

I loved Ghana because of its hidden beauty, and the warmth and friendliness of the people. Being a **volunteer** is sometimes really hard because you get the feeling that what you are doing is not enough, but it is very **rewarding** both for yourself and for the children you meet.



2. Strong adjectives:

a Complete the adjective for each picture.



1 She's t_{er}ified. 4 They're f_____.

2 He's b_____.

5 She's f_____.

3 He's s_____.

6 It's t_____.

b Complete the sentences with a strong adjective.

1 Can I borrow your coat? I'm freezing!

2 A Is James's flat big?

B Big? It's _____! It's 300 square metres.

3 The weather's been _____ all week! It hasn't stopped raining.

4 I've been working hard all day. I'm _____!

5 Can I have another cake? They're _____.

6 The film was _____! We loved it.

3. Grammar: Present perfect continuous:

a Make sentences with the present perfect continuous (and *for* / *since* if necessary).

she / work there / 2003

She's been working there since 2003.

- 1 how long / they / go out together
- 2 I / study English / two years
- 3 he / feel very well recently
- 4 you / read that book / months!
- 5 you / wait / a long time
- 6 we / spend much time together
- 7 how long / she / live there
- 8 I / rent this flat / three years.
- 9 the lift / work / 10 o'clock
- 10 she / work here / a long time

b Complete with a verb from the list in the present perfect continuous.

bark cry do eat play shop not sleep watch

A Your sister's lost a lot of weight!

B Yes. She's been eating a lot less recently.

1 A Your eyes are red. _____ you _____?

B Yes. I _____ a sad film.

2 A It's very late. Why aren't you in bed?

B I can't sleep. That dog _____ for the last two hours.

3 A You look tired.

B I know. I _____ well recently.

4 A Wow! You've bought a lot of things!

B Yes, we _____ all day.

5 A You look hot! What _____ you _____?

B I _____ in the garden with the children.



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