

UNIT 2B – VOCABULARY: CHARITIES

Exercise 3 – unit 2B

- 3 Match organisations 1–3 with statements a–c.**
- a** You can share your experiences and get help from others with the same problem.
 - b** They mainly work with people living in war zones or in poverty.
 - c** By working with politicians and local residents, they can improve the environment.

Non-profit spotlight

New non-profit organisations are formed each year to tackle different problems. But the more there are, the more difficult it becomes to decide which to support. Our new monthly column can help by giving charities a space to offer us a brief description of what they do.

1 Clowns without Frontiers organises free comic performances by professional clowns to children and families who are suffering the consequences of armed conflict, natural disasters and deprivation. Its aim is to provide emotional support through creating moments of laughter and joy in what can seem hopeless situations.

2 Sustrans campaigns for sustainable transport. It also lobbies governments nationally and internationally to change policy and city design in favour of pedestrians and cyclists. It works with communities to empower people to reclaim their streets by providing expertise and advice on how to change their neighbourhood into a greener, safer space. It also runs a national network of car-free routes connecting people.

3 BackCare raises money in aid of people suffering from chronic back pain, a problem that millions have to live with and that costs the economy billions each year. This organisation funds research into the causes and treatment of back pain and runs support groups for sufferers. It also distributes information packs to increase awareness of the condition.

Write a, b, or c in the blank to match with the charity

1. Clowns without frontiers

2. Sustrans

3. BackCare

Exercise 4: Vocabulary

- 4** Look at the words in the box from the column in Exercise 3. Complete the questions with the correct form of the words.

aware campaign deprive empower expert
lobby reclaim sustain tackle worth

- 1 What's the most important problem that needs to be _____ in your community?
- 2 What issues do we need to raise _____ of? Why?
- 3 Apart from charities, who else might _____ a government? What for?
- 4 What's the best way of encouraging _____ development in developing countries?
- 5 What more could be done to _____ women in society?
- 6 Do some parts of your country suffer worse social and economic _____ than others?
- 7 Why might people feel the need to _____ the streets?
- 8 What areas do you have some degree of _____ in?
How could you use this to help charities?
- 9 Can you think of two things people sometimes _____ for? And two _____ you would support?
- 10 Which of the organisations mentioned in the feature do you think are most _____ of donations? Why?