INTERVIEW 1 [F = U.S. regional]

M: This is Nick Krakauer, and you're listening to *World Reflections*. We're talking today with Nancy Sullivan from Minneapolis in the United States. Hi, Nancy.

F: Hi, Nick.

M: So, Nancy, I understand you're a real traveler—that you've visited over _____ countries around the world.

F: That's right.

M: Tell us some of the places you've been to.

F: Well, I've been to countries all over . . . North and South America, Europe, Asia . . .

M: What have been the most _____ places for you to visit?

F: Hmmm . . . Well, I like visiting countries where the culture is really different from my own. That's what I find most interesting. Different body language, different foods . . . you know.

M: You told me earlier you've been to India. What was that like?

F: Oh, India is _____

M: And what was so different about it?

F: Well for one thing, when people say "yes," they _____ their heads from side to side instead of up and down, like I do.

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INTERVIEW 2 [M2 = Australian English]

M1: Nick Krakauer here, hosting *World Reflections*. Today's guest is Andrew Barlow from Perth, Australia. G'day, mate!

M2: G'day to you.

M1: So, Andrew, I understand you've been a teacher overseas, is that correct?

M2: I have been, yes.

M1: And I understand you have an _____ story about something you ate once in one of those countries.

M2: That's right.

M1: Tell us about it.

M2: Well, this happened when I got my first teaching job in a very small village. The people in the village wanted to thank me for coming, so they prepared a meal with a lot of really _____ dishes.

M1: That must have been nice.

M2: It was. But there was one thing that I thought was kind of, well, _____. They had these tiny little fish that were still alive . . . they were moving on the plate.

M1: Whoa!

M2: Yeah. You're supposed to put one in your mouth and swallow it whole.

M1: Oh, boy!

M2: Look, I was their guest and I didn't want to be _____ so I tried one. But I could feel it moving as it went down into my stomach. I tried a few, to be nice. But I just didn't know how to say "thanks, but no thanks" without being rude.

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INTERVIEW 3 [F = Japanese]

M: We're back on *World Reflections*. My next guest is Mieko Nakamura from Sendai, Japan. Welcome, Mieko.

F: Hi, Nick.

M: Mieko, I've been told that you've traveled a lot and you've done some unusual things.

F: I have.

M: That you especially like to do, well, things that would be kind of [redacted] for most people.

F: I guess that's true. But not scary to me. Just very [redacted]

M: So tell us about what you've done.

F: Well, for one thing, I've gone swimming with sharks. Twice!

M: What?!

F: Swimming with sharks.

M: For real? And you didn't find that scary?

F: Well, I didn't do it alone. I was with a group. But swimming so close to the sharks was really [redacted]

M: And what else?

F: Last year I [redacted] Mount Everest.

M: The world's highest mountain?

F: Yes.

M: I'll bet it was really cold.

F: It was. But I was really thrilled to be standing on the top of the world.

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