1C CULTURE Teenage challenges

I can talk about hobbies and interests.

TAKING A YEAR OUT

1. Read what three teenagers are telling about their gap year abroad.

Daniel I'm having an amazing time here in the Brazilian rainforest. We arrived from Macapá two weeks ago. There are ten students and we are staying with families in the village. We're helping to build a new school. And we're trying to study Portuguese, but it isn't easy!

Christine I'm here in Cape Town, South Africa. I'm staying with my aunt and uncle. I'm working at a school in one of the townships outside the city. I teach English to young children. They are very poor, but they are always laughing. It's hard work, but the children are wonderful.

Thomas I live in London and I'm working in an old people's home in the city centre. There are fifty people living here. Some of them are quite sick. I help them read their letters, books and newspapers. I also help at mealtimes, and take people out for walks. It's hard work, but very rewarding.

***2.* Complete the sentences. Write *D* for Daniel, *C* for Christine or *T* for Thomas.**

1 [ ] is learning a new language.
2 [ ] loves his/her students.
3 [ ] is taking care of people who are ill.
4 [ ] is living with relatives.
5 [ ] is working in his / her hometown
6 [ ] is helping to build something.
7 [ ] is teaching a language.

3 Complete the text. Use the words in the box.

activities expeditions a new skill a plan time voluntary work

The Duke of Edinburgh Award started in 1956. In order to complete the award, young people have to spend [1]_____ doing exciting but challenging activities. They do [2]_____ (e.g. helping disabled people), learn [3]_____ (e.g. designing websites) and go on [4]_____. They all have to write [5]_____ before they do the [6]_____. And when they finish, they get a bronze, silver or gold award.

LIVEWORKSHEETS