

UNIT 5 : GLOBETROTTING

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READING

A Read the following profile of a biologist.

Mike Fay is a biologist and lived in central Africa for six years while working with the Wildlife Conservation Society.

He is actively involved in conservation projects in Africa and America, in particular the conservation of elephants in these countries. Fay has actually counted all the elephants that live in Chad, central Africa and has walked nearly 3,000 kilometres across North America. His spends so much time outdoors that he says he hasn't slept on a proper bed in the last ten years.

Fay's life has been anything but smooth-sailing. He survived a plane crash several years ago. He also faced a very angry elephant which eventually attacked him but fortunately, he survived to tell the tale. Another life-threatening event was when he contracted malaria which almost cost him his life.

Since Fay spends a lot of time outdoors, he prefers to travel light. He usually packs a T-shirt, a pair of shorts and his favourite sandals for all his trips. He also never fails to bring along his penknife, a lighter and a sleeping mat.

The best thing about Fay is that he wants to show people the beauty of our planet and how precious it is. He hopes that people will care for the planet more. His conservation work, which eventually got public attention, has resulted in the number of elephant deaths in Chad falling significantly. In addition, his work has resulted in the government of Gabon working towards creating thirteen new national parks covering 26,000 square kilometres of forest.

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B Complete the table below with information from the text.

Global citizenship
Respecting other cultures

Mike Fay, Wildlife Conservation Society Biologist

Description	Answer
Life-threatening events	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
Favourite type of attire	4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____
Most relied on items	7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____
Achievement	10. _____