

1 complete the sentences with the correct information in the text . use present perfect .

1 Simon was a TV presenter so he visited many countries as a result he _____ 9 long journeys during the TV show.

2 Simon has travelled in 110 countries but he _____ in the Arctic, so he hopes to be there.

3 He said that he _____ about people, countries, life styles, politics etc

4 Strange things happened in his trips, one of them has been that he _____ by a camel.

Put the numbers in front of the questions according with the paragraphs.

READING

2 Simon Reeve is a TV travel-programme presenter. Complete Simon's magazine interview below with questions a-f.

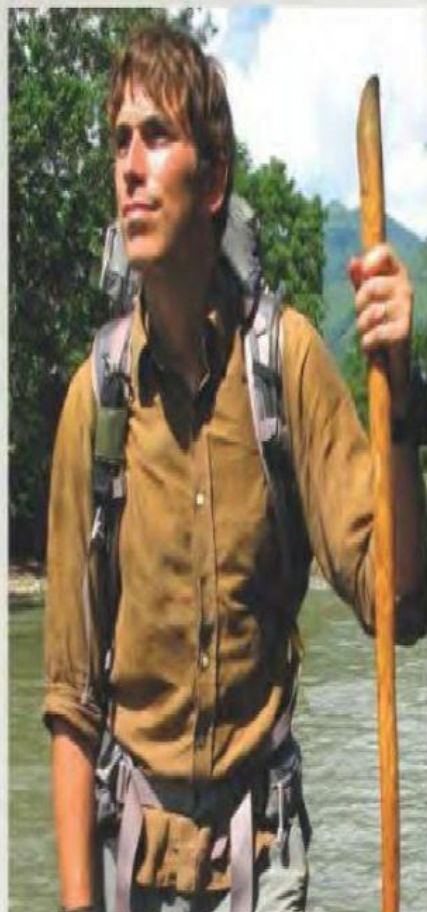
- a Which countries have you visited?
- b How many travel shows have you made?
- c What have you learnt from your different trips?
- d What's the best place that you've visited?
- e When did you become a travel-show presenter?
- f Have you done any unusual or dangerous things?

Discovering the world

with Simon Reeve

Simon Reeve has visited many countries and he has become one of our most popular TV travel-show presenters. His programmes are different to other ones because he goes to unusual countries and he shows us more than the tourist attractions. From his programmes, we also learn about the people in the countries, the way of life, the politics and the wildlife. I asked him about his fascinating work.

by Stuart McCarthy



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I started to work as a TV presenter in 2003. Before that, I was a political journalist and writer. In my first travel show, I visited countries in central Asia, such as Kazakhstan.

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I've made nine travel TV series. In three of those shows, I travelled round the world in a circle – they were very long journeys! In my most recent series, I went to Australia.

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Perhaps you should ask which countries I haven't visited! I think I've travelled to more than 110 countries, but I haven't been to the North and South Poles. Perhaps I'll go there soon.

4

Oh, definitely. I've eaten lots of unusual food. Eating sheep's eyes was very strange for me. A camel has chased me. That happened when I made my first TV show, and it felt more dangerous than when I was in the middle of a war in Somalia!

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Ah, one of my favourite places is the Kalahari Desert in southern Africa. I went there in 2007. It's really beautiful and a lot greener than a typical desert. I met the San people there, and I learnt a lot from them.

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The most important thing that I've learnt is that human beings are very special animals. We can change and live in any environment. Also, in all these different places, with all these different ways of life, our children are always the most important things for us.



