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Watch a brief introduction of the book Dark Star Safari, by Paul Theroux. Have you read it?

Talk to a friend. What is the book about? Would any of you like to read it?

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Watch the video again. Fill in the gaps with the words and phrases you hear. Use the words and phrases in the box, which mean the same, to help you.

Dark Star Safari is an epic true story of one man's journey through the heart of Africa. (1) writer and (2) traveller Paul Theroux (3) his travels from the very north of Africa all the way to its southern (4) – from Cairo to Cape Town. Travelling by bus, ferry canoe, cattle truck and aircraft, he meets everyone from the poorest beggar to current national leaders to white minorities robbed of their land. The author's prose (5) the borders that divide us and the qualities that (6) .

1. *World-famous*

2. *fearless*

3. *gives a detailed account of*

4. *extremity*

5. *carefully examines*

6. *unite us*