

Listening Part 3 Multiple choice

1 Look at the advertisement below and discuss these questions.

- Which countries might volunteers be needed in?
- What resources might be lacking in places like these?
- What kind of professional skills would be useful in developing countries?
- Why would jobs like these be rewarding?

Volunteer jobs

Each year, hundreds of people start rewarding jobs as volunteers in developing countries. These countries need you to:

- use your professional skills to train and advise colleagues.
- live and work within the local community.
- work creatively and adapt to new surroundings – often with few resources.



2 Listen twice to a radio interview with Tom Davies, who spent a year as a volunteer in Nepal, and choose the best answers for questions 1–6.

tip

Make sure all the information in the option you choose is correct, not just some of it.

- Why did Tom go to live and work abroad?
 - He was bored with his routine.
 - He wanted to do something useful.
 - He saw an advertisement in a newspaper he had bought.
 - He wanted to take advantage of every opportunity in life.

- How did he regard his experience abroad?
 - He was worried about being away from home.
 - He was apprehensive about what lay in store.
 - He thought the time would pass all too quickly.
 - He knew he would have very little time to appreciate his surroundings.
- What does Tom say was the most important thing offered by the organisation?
 - enough money to make ends meet
 - paid travel and accommodation
 - the opportunity to meet fellow volunteers
 - help to readjust on his return home
- What does Tom say about the snow leopards?
 - Some hunting of the animals is allowed.
 - Larger numbers breed away from inhabited areas.
 - They are regarded as the most important animals in the Himalayas.
 - They have become more domesticated.
- How has the programme Tom and his colleague devised helped?
 - Farmers can be compensated for lost animals.
 - The government runs an insurance scheme for farmers.
 - Farmers have the funds needed to buy more land.
 - Local groups have formed to protect the snow leopard.
- What does Tom say he cannot do at the moment?
 - Give an example of a profitable local scheme.
 - Prove that fewer snow leopards have been killed by hunters.
 - Show that the number of snow leopards has increased.
 - Promise that profits from his scheme will go back into the community.
- Would you be interested in doing voluntary work abroad? If so, where and doing what? If not, why not?