

A LOVE OF TRAVELING

Read the text and choose the correct word.

For Nigel Portman, a love of traveling began with what's (0)_____ a "gap year". In common with many other British teenagers, he chose to take a year out before (1)_____ to study for his degree. After doing various jobs to (2)_____ some money, he left home to gain some experience of life in different cultures, visiting American and Asia. The more adventurous the young person, the (3)_____ the challenge they are likely to (4)_____ themselves for the gap year, and for some, like Nigel, it can (5)_____ in a thirst for adventure.

Now that his university course has (6)_____ to an end, Nigel is just about to leave on a three-year trip that will take him (7)_____ around the world. What's more, he plans to make the whole journey using only means of transport which are (8)_____ by natural energy. In other words, he'll be (9)_____ mostly on bicycles and his own legs; and when there's an ocean to cross, he won't be taking a (10)_____ cut by climbing aboard a plane, he'll be joining the crew of a sailing ship (11)_____.

As well as doing some mountain climbing and other outdoor pursuits along the way, Nigel hopes to (12)_____ on to the people he meets the environmental message that lies behind the whole idea.

