

1 We learn in the first paragraph that Warren Faidley

- A enjoys the danger involved in his job.
- B does things other people would not do.
- C drives right into tornadoes.
- D takes photographs of people in danger.

2 The producers of the film *Twister*

- A based the film on his life.
- B used his photographs to promote the film.
- C took advice from Faidley when making the film.
- D wanted Faidley to star in the film.

3 When the writer says that Faidley 'moved on to more profitable pursuits' (para 4) he means that Faidley

- A changed the way he conducted his 'chases'.
- B started to take his hobby more seriously.
- C went on even more daring adventures.
- D made money from a dangerous hobby.

4 Eventually, most of the members of Faidley's teenage gang

- A joined him in his scorpion trade.
- B had to hide their friendship with him.
- C lost interest in storm chasing.
- D weren't allowed to associate with him.

5 Faidley tells us that when he began his career,

- A he was less cautious than he is now.
- B the equipment was not as advanced as it is nowadays.
- C the job was less dangerous than it is now.
- D he did not take any equipment with him on his 'chases'.

6 When film companies suggest making a film about his experiences, Faidley feels

- A cautious.
- B proud.
- C excited.
- D unimpressed.

7 In the final paragraph, we learn that Faidley

- A puts work before anything else.
- B makes sure every shot is perfect.
- C is pleased that others admire his work.
- D has some regrets about his life.

4 Match the words in bold in the text to these meanings.

actually portrays collapsed

running away **snatches**

knock down drawn forcefully

quickly moving avoided dedicated

tears **look for excellence**

compensate for faults damaging

**decided on** record

In pairs, ask and answer questions based on the text.

5 Fill in: **profitable, a flash, live, make, perfect, promotional, tell, extreme, profound, deadly.** Then use the completed phrases to make sentences about Warren Faidley.

1 to ..... one's living

2 ..... weather conditions

3 ..... material

4 ..... flood

5 ..... effect

6 ..... life to the fullest

7 ..... pursuits

8 ..... shot

9 to ..... the tale

10 ..... scorpion

e.g. Warren Faidley makes his living chasing tornadoes.

## Speaking

6 **Timed!** Tell your partner four things you remember from the text. Would you ever do such a risky job? Why (not)? Discuss in pairs. Then translate the first two paragraphs of the text into

**LIVEWORKSHEETS**

