

- I. Read the text below and think of a word which fits each gap.



Doing a gap year

Gap year is the _____ used to describe the year that some students take off before _____ to university. Gap years are quite popular in many countries, _____ the UK, Australia, and Germany. There are a variety of options _____ for people who are thinking of taking a gap year. One is to _____ the year travelling around the world. _____ possibility is to spend the year at home getting work experience. A third option is to do volunteer work, _____ at home or abroad.

In 2003, Sam Cooke chose this option and travelled to Ecuador to provide tuition in basic literacy for underprivileged children. "It was a wonderful experience and it really helped me _____ mature".

However, Sam warns _____ it's not for everyone. "Voluntary work is certainly not an easy option and before you go you should make _____ you are properly informed about the living conditions you will find there. Young people need to ask themselves _____ they'll be able to put _____ with these conditions for a whole year."

