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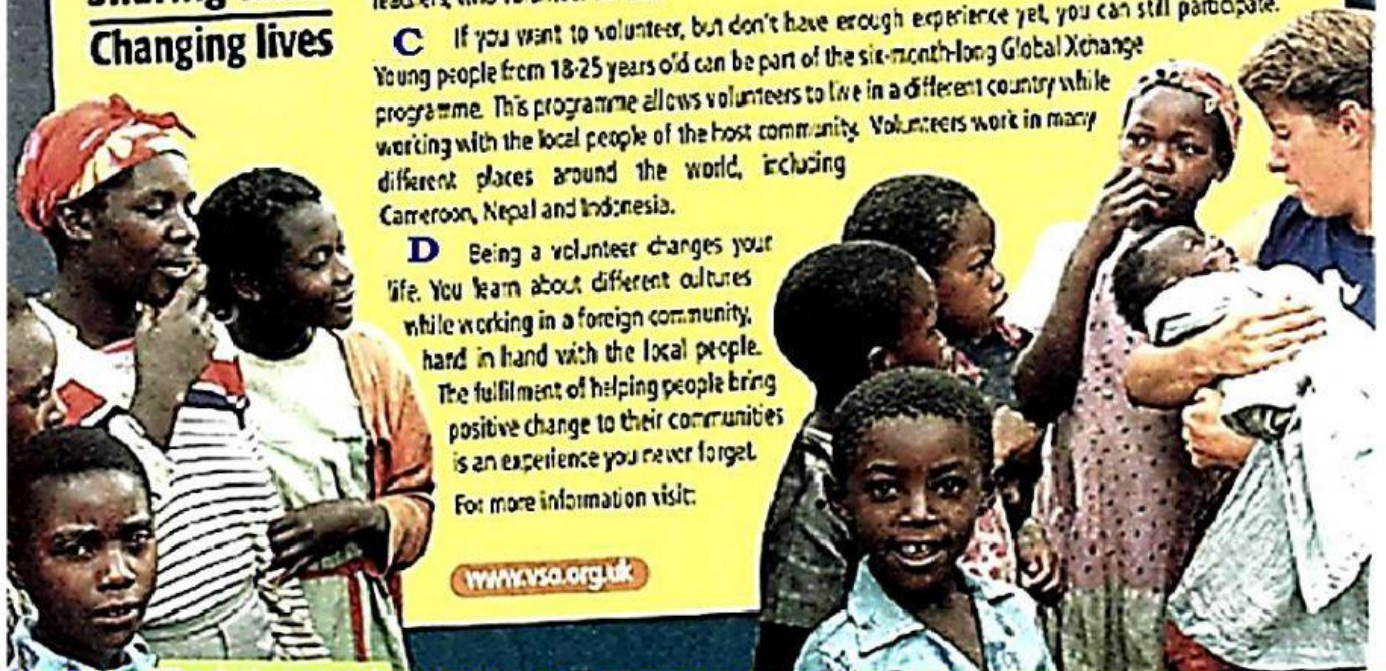
VSO
Sharing skills
Changing lives

A Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) is a charity organisation that organises many aid programmes around the world. The programme started in London in 1958 and today it is one of the largest volunteer organisations.

B Volunteers must be between 18 and 75 years old. Long-term volunteers must have at least five years of experience in their field. There are many different types of professionals, from doctors to teachers, who volunteer for VSO.

C If you want to volunteer, but don't have enough experience yet, you can still participate. Young people from 18-25 years old can be part of the six-month-long Global Exchange programme. This programme allows volunteers to live in a different country while working with the local people of the host community. Volunteers work in many different places around the world, including Cameroon, Nepal and Indonesia.

D Being a volunteer changes your life. You learn about different cultures while working in a foreign community, hand in hand with the local people. The fulfilment of helping people bring positive change to their communities is an experience you never forget. For more information visit: www.vso.org.uk



1. Match the paragraphs (A-D) with their correct headings (1-5).
One heading does not match.

1. MAKING OTHER PLACES BETTER
2. HOW TO MAKE DONATIONS
3. EVERYONE CAN HELP
4. WHAT IT IS
5. SKILLED VOLUNTEERS

A	B	C	D

2. Use the words from the line below to complete the sentences.

charity aid programme volunteers experience field participated
opened part allowed host community hand in hand

1. We are searching for _____ to help clean up the beach this weekend.
2. You can work _____ with the local people to help rebuild houses.
3. Jeff and Carol _____ in the tennis match last Friday.
4. The _____ organised a concert to raise money to help the homeless.
5. Doctors Without Borders accepts volunteers who work in the _____ of medicine.
6. My trip to the Amazon was an unforgettable _____.