

XVI. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Volunteering is the (1) _____ of time, effort and talent to a need, cause or mission without financial gain.

Volunteering is all about you being able to contribute (2) _____ of your own time to (3) _____ people in our communities. Volunteers support our communities and add to them in their own unique way using a (4) _____ variety of skills, knowledge and experience.

Volunteering has (5) _____ benefits. It gives people self-confidence and satisfaction, social contact, the ability to use previously (6) _____ skills or develop new ones, a chance to (7) _____ your passion and a possible start to paid employment.

Volunteering or community service (8) _____ fast becoming an essential part of a stand-out resume. Employers are looking for evidence of commitment, loyalty and a strong desire to contribute to the success of society all of (9) _____ volunteering demonstrates.

Volunteering is flexible and will fit around your existing commitments. Our centre has volunteering opportunities that (10) _____ from five minutes per day to several hours per week or just one day per year - the opportunities are endless!

Source: <https://www.swan.wa.gov.au/Your-Community/Get-involved/Volunteering/What-is-volunteering>

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| 1. A. contribution | B. employment | C. position | D. application |
| 2. A. one | B. some | C. any | D. each |
| 3. A. help | B. helping | C. helped | D. help |
| 4. A. long | B. wide | C. beautiful | D. comfortable |
| 5. A. many | B. much | C. so | D. a lot |
| 6. A. establish | B. establishing | C. established | D. establishment |
| 7. A. see | B. donate | C. follow | D. focus |
| 8. A. am | B. are | C. be | D. is |
| 9. A. whom | B. which | C. when | D. who |
| 10. A. come | B. spare | C. provide | D. range |

XVII. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

For years, charities across the globe have been encouraging students to join their volunteering programmes to help make a difference in the world. Volunteers are an **integral part** of any charitable organization; without them, there would be no charity. Not only can volunteering benefit a wealth of causes, but it can also boost a student's prospects once they head out into the working world.

Volunteering can be a humbling experience, allowing you to see the world in a different way. Whether you agree to volunteer for a number of consecutive months or a day a week, the impact you have could be life-changing. There's also a strong sense of achievement and pride that comes with generously giving up your time for a worthy cause.

When it comes to volunteering, there are countless opportunities at home or away. Many students choose to volunteer abroad to experience a new culture and learn more about other countries. It can be a wonderful way to experience another country, with support and guidance during the stay of the organizations. Volunteering overseas involves more group-based work than volunteering at home. It also gives students the opportunity to get away from their studies and work responsibilities.

At home, opportunities are likely to be helping with youth clubs, childcare support, medical support or charity shops. Working for a cause while at home will allow for flexibility around a student's timetable, **they** may be able to give up some of their spare time at the weekend or a few hours in the evening.

(Adapted from <https://www.volunteatingsolutions.com/>)

31. Which of the following best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. Volunteering Experience's Benefits to Students
- B. Students' Roles in Charities
- C. Abroad or At Home: Where is Better to Volunteer?
- D. Should Students Volunteer?

32. The phrase "**integral part**" in the first paragraph most probably means _____.

- A. major supporter
- B. flexible participant
- C. enthusiastic member
- D. essential factor

33. According to the writer, why do people do volunteer work?

- A. Because they can take advantage of their spare time.
- B. Because their efforts may make other lives become better.
- C. Because local people may feel proud of their work.
- D. Because they can see the real world more clearly.

34. According to the passage, which of the following is **NOT** mentioned as the advantages of volunteering abroad over volunteering at home?

- A. exploring a new culture
- B. acquiring more information about another country
- C. getting on well with others in group work
- D. supporting and helping other organizations

35. What does the word "**they**" in the last paragraph refer to?

A. students

B. charity shops

C. opportunities

D. youth clubs

■ XVIII. Read the passage and decide whether the following statements are true (T), false (F) or not given (NG).

What to expect from NGO volunteering abroad?

NGO (non-governmental organisation) volunteer jobs are a great option for enthusiastic and flexible volunteers who want to experience a variety of projects abroad. Projects can range from education and gender equality to environmental conservation and public health. Where you volunteer is decided based on a mixture of your skills and interests, and where there is the most need for help at the time.

International Volunteer HQ's NGO Support projects in Cambodia, Ecuador, Nepal and Romania enable you to take on a range of tasks. These can include marketing, photography, research, fundraising events, team building, community development, technology support, website development, teaching English and general administration.

International Volunteer HQ's Creative Technologies projects in Croatia, Italy and Spain give you the opportunity to work with an NGO and use your technical and marketing skills to create campaigns that

encourage the local community to take action in their own surroundings.

Why volunteer for NGOs abroad?

The positive initiatives of NGOs are often limited by financial and staffing resources and rely heavily on international funding drives. Therefore, the support of IVHQ volunteers is invaluable in supporting NGOs to further their efforts within the community and work towards the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals.

Whether you want to help local children from low-income communities get better access to the basic necessities of life in Ecuador or use your creative skills to raise public awareness for NGOs in Europe - this is a unique opportunity to use your skills as a force for good.

Adapted from: <https://www.volunteerhq.org/volunteer-abroad-projects/ngo-support/>

- _____ 1. NGO volunteer jobs are only available for local projects in your home country.
- _____ 2. International Volunteer HQ offers NGO Support projects in four countries.
- _____ 3. The location where you volunteer is only determined by your skills and interests.
- _____ 4. You can take part in many projects in one year.
- _____ 5. NGO projects abroad cover a wide range of areas such as education and health.
- _____ 6. The Creative Technologies projects aim to encourage the local community to care about their
- _____ 7. NGOs often have enough financial and staffing resources.
- _____ 8. Volunteering for NGOs abroad provides an opportunity to use your skills for positive change.