

Read the text below. For questions (1-5) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

### African Safari

*Martin Symington went on a camping safari holiday with his wife and three teenagers*

We stood in silence beneath the stars, only a few meters away from our tent, hardly daring to breathe. Adam, a member of the camp staff, shone his torch across a clearing where four impalas were standing, nervously on their agile legs. Could they sense the danger they were in? Did they know, as we did, that a female leopard was hiding under a thorn bush? The leopard suddenly pounced, and the four shadowy figures darted into the woods. We all speculated on whether the leopard had made a successful kill, but no one knew for sure. We now understood why we had been warned not to leave our tent after dark without a staff member. On our way back, Adam's torch unexpectedly caught the leopard's glinting green eyes. Half an hour later, we had a story that outdid most of those told around the campfire. "This has got to be the best nightlife in the world," Toby replied when a middle-aged fellow safari enthusiast asked him how he was enjoying his vacation.

Despite the skepticism of self-proclaimed experts who doubted that safaris and teenagers would mix, our family trip to Africa was a success. Although it can be a challenging age, with adolescents beginning to feel too old for family vacations, they didn't want to go back to beach resorts with the kind of "teen clubs" they wouldn't be caught dead in. So my wife Hennie and I decided that if we were going to have one really good family holiday, why not Africa?

We started our trip at West Kilimanjaro Camp, where we caught rare glimpses of the mountain's snowy peak, which is 5,895 meters high. Next, we flew south in a small plane and stayed at Mdonya Old River Camp, which avoids luxuries like soft beds and fluffy towels that can become obstacles to connecting with nature in its raw form. Instead, the five of us shared a simple yet adequate tent on the edge of a dried-up sand river.

The only disappointment about wildlife viewing in Tanzania was that game drives are not allowed in any of the country's national parks after dark. But **this** made our nighttime encounter with the leopard and impala outside our tent even more special, showing us the benefits of staying at camps without fences, distractions, or even electricity.

During the day, we mixed game drives with bush walks under the guidance of our guide Esau during our time in Ruaha. He taught us about bush safety, advising us to remain alert and at a distance from the wildlife and to stand still if we saw an animal approaching. We only spotted plant-eating animals, such as elephants, zebras, and a pair of giraffes, but we all listened carefully to his repeated message to "remember that you will see less than one percent of what sees you."

1 How did the family feel when they were sitting round the camp-fire?

A interested in the stories of the other campers

B proud of what they had seen earlier

C sorry they had disturbed the leopard

D annoyed they didn't know what happened in the end

2 Why did the writer and his wife decide to choose a safari holiday in Africa?

A They didn't want to be with other families.

B They wanted their children to learn some independence.

C They wanted to do something different from usual.

D They were advised that teenagers often enjoy safaris.

3 They chose the Mdonya Old River Camp because

A there was water nearby.

B it wasn't easy to get to.

C the tents were of good quality.

D it was fairly basic.

4 '**this**' in paragraph 4 refers to

A the dusk

B a rule

C their disappointment

D a plan

5 What did Esau warn them about?

A There were many more animals than they could actually see.

B They should move slowly if an animal came towards them.

C They shouldn't go into the bush alone on foot.

D Some animals were more dangerous than others.