

- 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 **Times!** 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

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