

OUR HOBBIES

Jamila and Sanjeev, like different things. Here they are talking about their hobbies.



Hi. My name is Jamila. I'm very interested in anything to do with geography. All sorts of information easily stays in my memory. The names of capital cities, mountain ranges – I love all that stuff. I'd be very reluctant to stop my studies. In fact, when I'm older I hope to find a solution to some of the world's environmental problems.

1. Which word or phrase tells you how much Jamila likes her chosen hobby? _____
2. Which word tells you she likes to study different countries? _____
3. Which word tells you she has no difficulty in remembering facts about different countries? _____
4. Which word suggests she would be unwilling to give up her hobby? _____
5. Which word tells you she would like to sort out problems in the world? _____



My name is Sanjeev and my friends think I'm a bit eccentric. That's because I get up at dawn with my binoculars to do some bird-watching. It's so peaceful then. No traffic; just birdsong. Getting up at four-thirty may sound mad, but try it once in the summer holidays and you'll realise the experience is irresistible.

1. Which word tells you Sanjeev's friends think he's unusual? _____
2. What does he use to get a better view of the birds? _____
3. Which word tells you it's quiet at that time in the morning? _____
4. Which word means he can't give it up? _____

WORD SWAPPING

Read these sentences and think of a word or phrase that means the same, or is similar, to the one in **bold**. One has already been done for you.



1. I ran as fast as I could from the **venomous** snake. _____
2. I was very **thankful** when my lost cat was returned. _____
3. The food I had at the new restaurant was **delicious**. **tasty** _____
4. The headteacher told off the boy for being **impolite**. _____
5. The reckless driver **disregarded** the No Entry sign. _____
6. Even with a map, I was **uncertain** which way to go. _____
7. Who replaced Henry VIII as monarch when he died? _____
8. Is it as hard to descend a mountain as it is going up? _____
9. I had the **misfortune** of having my car keys stolen. _____
10. The twins were **quarrelling** over who owned the ball. _____
11. The children suspended decorations from the ceiling. _____
12. The superhero could transform herself into a tiger. _____
13. The parents were asked to donate money to charity. _____
14. Gardeners **prune** roses to encourage growth. _____
15. I was happy to exchange my old pen for a new one. _____