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READING TEXT

Volunteering abroad can offer valuable experiences, but good intentions are not enough. Short projects sometimes cost a great deal while providing little long-term benefit to local communities. Responsible organisations work with local partners, define useful tasks and prepare volunteers carefully. Young people should ask who designed the project, where the money goes and whether local workers could do the job more effectively.

VOCABULARY STRATEGY

Do not translate every word. First read for the main idea. Then use the sentence around an unknown word to guess its meaning.

FIRST READING - note the key information

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TASKS

1. Who is the text mainly about?

2. Where does the main action happen?

3. Write down two important details from the text.

4. What problem, change or decision is described?

5. Find one word or phrase that shows an opinion, feeling or result.

6. Summarise the text in two or three English sentences.

7. What can the reader learn from the text? Give a reason.

SUGGESTED ANSWERS - wording may differ

1. Young people and volunteering organisations.
2. In international volunteer projects.
3. Responsible projects work with local partners and prepare volunteers.
4. Some short projects cost much but provide little lasting benefit.
5. Accept an exact phrase from the text that fits the question.
6. Sample: The text focuses on Young people and volunteering organisations. It explains that some short projects cost much but provide little lasting benefit.
7. Open answer: accept a suitable title or a justified lesson.