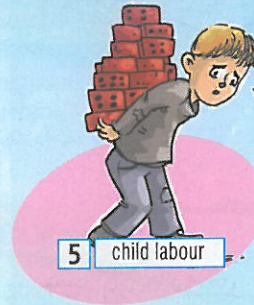
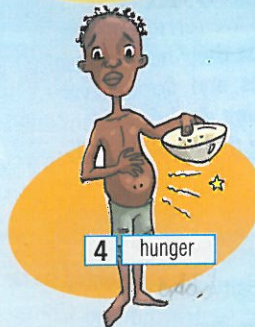
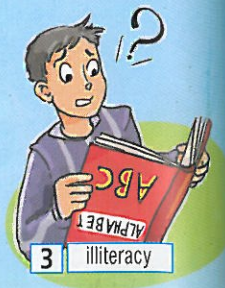
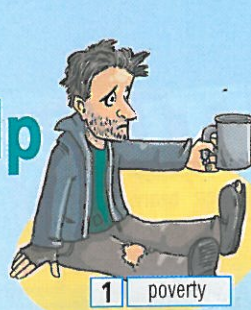


5b Going to help

Vocabulary Social problems

- 1 Listen and say. Rank them in order of importance. Tell your partner giving reasons.

To me, war is the most important problem because a lot of people lose their lives.



Reading & Listening

- 2 a) Read the title and the first sentence of each paragraph in the text. Who is Greg Mortenson? What do you think he did? Read and check.
- b) Read the text again. Five sentences are missing. Match the sentences (A-F) to the blanks (1-5). There is one extra sentence.
- Listen and check.

- c) **THINK!** Complete the sentence.
- I admire Greg because

Check these words

achieve, end up, failure, set out, make it, top, stumble, injured, poor, hunger, ground, stick, promise, raise money, peace award, thrilling, proof, courage, best-selling, ignorance, cause, campaign, issue, look after

From Climbing Mountains ... to Moving Mountains

Have you ever wanted to achieve something really amazing in life? Well, Greg Mortenson wanted to climb a mountain, but he ended up helping thousands of people to have a better life!

Greg Mortenson's story began with failure. In 1993, he set out to climb K2, the world's second highest mountain. But Greg never made it to the top. After five days, he stumbled into the village of Korphe in northern Pakistan, injured and hungry. **1**

Greg saw that the villagers were very poor and there was a lot of disease and hunger. Also, the village school didn't have a roof and the children wrote on the ground with sticks. **2** "I'll build you a school," he told the villagers. "I promise."

Greg went back home to the USA to raise money for the school. He even lived in his car to save money! **3** But this was just the beginning of something much bigger! Since then, Greg's organisation has built around 80 schools and runs many others in Pakistan, Afghanistan and other countries, too.

Greg hasn't finished yet. **4** He has won many humanitarian and peace awards, but it's the smiles of the children he has helped that makes him happy!

5 It's a thrilling read and proof of what ordinary people can do with courage and determination!

- A Greg has just written a best-selling book about his story called *Three Cups of Tea*.
- B He believes that poverty, illiteracy and ignorance cause many wars and other problems in the world, so he also organises many campaigns to fight these issues.
- C Greg knew he wanted to do something to help.
- D Greg has made a real difference to people's lives.
- E The kind villagers there looked after him for several days.
- F Finally, he went back to Korphe and built the school.