

Live Aid

1. Work with a partner. Discuss the following:

a) Have you ever raised money for charity?

- If you have ... What did you do, what was the charity and how much did you raise?
- If you haven't ... Find a student who has and ask them about it.

b) Think of five reasons why it's important to care about what happens in other countries.

2. Read the story of Live Aid. There are sixteen lines. Eleven of them contain a mistake: one extra word. Find the extra words and write them in the column on the right. The first two lines have been done for you as examples.

1	In October 1984, journalist Michael Buerk and cameraman Mohammed Amin were sent a	<u>were</u>
2	news story from Ethiopia to the BBC in London. The story, which appeared on the news that	_____
3	night, brought home the true horror of the famine in Ethiopia. One a man who was watching	_____
4	was Bob Geldof, lead singer of the group the Boomtown Rats. He desperately wanted to do	_____
5	something for to help the people of Ethiopia, so he co-wrote a song called Do They Know It's	_____
6	Christmas/Feed The World and recorded on it using nearly 40 of the UK and Ireland's	_____
7	best-known pop stars. The song was raised £8 million world-wide and prompted stars in the	_____
8	USA to record We Are The World. Encouraged by the success of Band Aid's single, Geldof	_____
9	did organised a concert, Live Aid, which was simultaneously performed in London and	_____
10	Philadelphia on July 13, 1985. More than 70,000 of people packed Wembley Stadium in	_____
11	London, and Live Aid was watched on television by 1.4 billion people were in over 170	_____
12	countries. £70 million was raised in one day – the most money has ever raised for charity	_____
13	in a single event. It was used to fund projects in African countries, including the Ethiopia.	_____
14	Bob Geldof summed up the experience with these words: ' Maybe for the first time since Man	_____
15	left the African Rift Valley we began to talk in a common language, and that language,	_____
16	bizarrely, turned out to be a pop music.'	_____

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Work in groups. The British National Lottery has £25 million to give to charity. You have been appointed as a committee to decide who should get the money. You cannot divide it between more than three organisations. Decide which causes you will support and how much you will give to each one. Be prepared to defend your decision.