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Write a Profile

An activity of "Walking the globe, collecting stories"

"Walking the globe, collecting stories" (page 17, *What's Up* September 2021) presents a profile of journalist Paul Salopek. A profile is a written portrait of a person. It gives a short description of his or her life, work, and character. For this exercise, write a profile about someone you admire at school.

The table below shows the structure of the article and questions you might ask the person you are writing about. Study the example given for Paul Salopek. Then, interview that person. Fill in the last column of the table while interviewing him or her. Ask follow-up questions to get more details. Finally, write the profile based on this information.

My profile is about: *(name of person)* _____

	Questions	Paul Salopek	Your interviewee
Introduction	What is he/she known for?	<i>He is a seasoned war correspondent, and has won two Pulitzer Prizes.</i>	
Body	What is he/she doing?	<i>Walking from Ethiopia to Chile, uncovering stories about people.</i>	
	How is he/she doing it?	<i>From his travels, he writes stories, conducts workshops, take pictures, and shares videos.</i>	
	What obstacles does he/she face?	<i>Difficulty in getting visas, being delayed by border closures.</i>	
	Why is he/she doing it?	<i>To get to know people and understand their stories, and share them with others.</i>	
Conclusion	What will he/she do next?	<i>He has no plan yet but hopes that his project will have a meaningful legacy.</i>	
	Any other questions.		