

# Teacher Resources

Modified copy, shortened, with some modifications to make it kid friendly from World Vision Website

<https://www.worldvision.org.uk/news-and-views/blog/2013/february/how-i-gather-stories-across-world/> “

Steve says everyone is a storyteller. Before stories were written down, many people relied on passing the stories from generation to generation by telling them.

I am very privileged to meet people around the world and hear their stories. One can gather great stories if one understands and uses; active listening, the power of questions and their emotions.

One of the most important communication skills is active listening. Building trust with the storyteller and showing you're listening through techniques such as positive body language which encourages the storyteller to share more. Positive body language includes sitting up straight, making eye contact with the speaker, and nodding or smiling as you listen.

The listener should ask questions, such as How, Why, and Describe. This supports the storyteller to think more deeply on their thoughts as they lead the conversation.