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"When you live in the U.S., it's very easy to distance yourself from the problems in the rest of the world. Once you go to Tumaini though, it becomes real, and you can't distance yourself anymore. It just puts things in perspective. Despite the hard lives some of the kids have had before Tumaini, they are still kind, energetic, smart, funny, and overall just great people."

Emma (age 17)

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Sarah (age 15)

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