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Helping others, especially those in need, has always been important to me and a passion of mine as I've always thought I've had more than I need in life. This started when I travelled to Pakistan in 2010; seeing the way people lived their lives and the poverty really brought me down to earth and motivated me to try and make a difference. I am now an active and consistent member of Islamic Help and have been involved in many fundraising events such as charity dinners, bucket collections and car washes to raise money for schools, orphanages and water solutions in Tanzania and the Philippines typhoon appeal.

I currently work at Birmingham Tuition Centre where I am helping children prepare for their GCSEs in English, Maths and Science and the 11+ test. My job involves assisting the teacher by helping children individually in topics/questions they don't understand and helping prepare for lessons. There are a variety of children of different age groups and levels of understanding and although it can be challenging at times it can also be rewarding.

I believe going to Malawi would be a great opportunity for me to give back to people in need by helping educate young children. As Nelson Mandela said, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Education is a right for every child, that plays a crucial role in their development by providing them with many skills required throughout life.

I like to experience new cultures and look forward to taking part in the village activities (singing and dancing) in Malawi, getting to know the community and helping with all kinds of projects that may be running. I play football every week and hope to join in and play with the local kids.