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have worked in Africa. Following the narrative arc of the development worker story from the decision to go overseas, through the experiences

abroad, the return home, and final reflections, the book interweaves theory with the words of the participants to b