

Challenges

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challenge (*noun*):

a difficult task that tests someone's ability

5 Follow-up

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In August 2015, Tom Davies, 19, returned to his home in Battersea, London, after finishing a bike ride.	However, this wasn't any ordinary bike ride.	Tom had just become the youngest person to cycle around the world,	covering 100 miles (160 kilometres) a day, and 18,000 miles (29,000 kilometres) in total.	Tom must have been tired each day after covering such huge distances,
but he still managed to regularly update his blog during his trip	so that friends, family and supporters knew he was safe and could follow his progress.	Despite these regular updates,	his parents Alison and Huw couldn't help worrying about their son,	but also say they are proud of what he's accomplished.
And Tom's parents had good reason to worry,	as he had several scary moments on his trip,	the worst of which was probably when he was chased by dogs in Albania.	Another downside was the sheer physical effort required to keep going in all kinds of weather,	which has taken its toll on the teenager.
'My legs are tired,' says Tom.	'It's hard. Snow, rain, wind, hills, other drivers.'	However, the positive experiences outweighed the bad, with Tom being overwhelmed by the hospitality of people all around the world,	which is something I didn't necessarily expect but has made it much more rewarding.'	Rewarding on a personal level,
but also for the charities Tom has helped through his challenge by raising £60,000.	With the money raised and the bike ride completed,	what is the next challenge for Tom?	He'll give his legs a couple of days to recover,	and then he'll get back on his bike.

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