

“Ex-Child Soldier: Raps About Hellish Life”

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After reading the article from your *Interface* Vol 1.1 textbook, p.30-33, answer the following questions.

1. Describe the difference between Jal’s childhood and adult life. How does he feel about this change?

2. What does Jal think is so special about music?

3. What do you picture in your mind when you read Jal’s lyrics?

4. What is Gua Africa? Why is it important to Jal?

5. Think of a time when it was difficult for you to forgive someone. How do you think Jas was able to forgive?

6. Why do you think the author would end the article with Jal's own words? Explain in your own words what Jal means by his last statement.
