

John Goddard's "Life List"

Please return to Mrs. Hawke. :)

"One rainy afternoon an inspired 15-year old boy named John Goddard sat down at his kitchen table in Los Angeles and wrote three words at the top of a yellow pad, 'My Life List.' Under that heading he wrote down 127 goals. Since then he has completed 109 of those goals. These were not simple or easy goals. They included climbing the world's major mountains, exploring from source to mouth the longest rivers of the world, piloting the world's fastest aircraft, running a mile in five minutes and reading the entire Encyclopedia Britannica."

~Chicken Soup for the Soul, NY Times bestseller.

EXPLORE




No.	Achieved	Goals	Comments
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nile River	
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amazon River	
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Congo River	
4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Colorado River	
5		Yangtze River, China	
6		Niger River	
7		Orinoco River, Venezuela	
8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rio Coco, Nicaragua	

STUDY PRIMITIVE







9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Congo	
10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New Guinea	
11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brazil	
12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Borneo	
13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Sudan	
14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Australia	
15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kenya	
16	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Philippines	
17	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tanzania	
18	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ethiopia	
19	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nigeria	
20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Alaska	

CLIMB







21		Mt. Everest	
22		Mt. Aconcagua, Argentina	
23		Mt. McKinley	
24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Huascarán, Peru	
25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Kilimanjaro	
26	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Ararat, Turkey	
27	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Kenya	
28		Mt. Cook, New Zealand	
29	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Popocatepetl, Mexico	
30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Matterhorn	
31	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Rainier	
32	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Fuji	
33	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Vesuvius	
34	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Bromo, Java	
35	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grand Tetons	
36	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mt. Baldy, California	
37		Carry out careers in medicine and exploration	(studied premed, treats illnesses among primitive tribes)

38		Visit every country in the world	(30 to go – out of 195!)
39		Study Navaho and Hopi Indians	
40		Learn to fly a plane	
41		Ride horse in Rose Parade	













PHOTOGRAPH

42		Iguacu Falls, Brazil	
43		Victoria Falls, Rhodesia	(Chased by a warthog in the process)
44		Sutherland Falls, New Zealand	
45		Yosemite Falls	
46		Niagara Falls	
47		Retrace travels of Marco Polo and Alexander the Great	

EXPLORE UNDERWATER

48		Coral reefs of Florida	
49		Great Barrier Reef, Australia	(photographed a 300-pound clam)
50		Red Sea	
51		Fiji Islands	
52		The Bahamas	
53		Explore Okefenokee Swamp and the Everglades	



















VISIT






54		North and South Poles	
55		Great Wall of China	
56		Panama and Suez Canals	
57		Easter Island	
58		The Galapagos Islands	
59		Vatican City	
60		The Taj Mahal	
61		The Eiffel Tower	
62		The Blue Grotto	
63		The Tower of London	
64		The Leaning Tower of Pisa	
65		The Sacred Well of Chichen-Itza, Mexico	
66		Climb Ayers Rock in Australia	
67		Follow River Jordan from Sea of Galilee to Dead Sea	

SWIM IN

68		Lake Victoria	
69		Lake Superior	
70		Lake Tanganyika	
71		Lake Titicaca, S. America	
72		Lake Nicaragua	

ACCOMPLISH

73		Become an Eagle Scout	
74		Dive in a submarine	
75		Land on and take off from an aircraft carrier	
76		Fly in a blimp, balloon and glider	
77		Ride an elephant, camel, ostrich and bronco	
78		Skin dive to 40 feet and hold breath two and a half minutes underwater	
79		Catch a ten-pound lobster and a ten-inch abalone	
80		Play flute and violin	
81		Type 50 words a minute	
82		Make a parachute jump	
83		Learn water and snow skiing	
84		Go on a church mission	
85		Follow the John Muir trail	
86		Study native medicines and bring back useful ones	
87		Bag camera trophies of elephant, lion, rhino, cheetah, cape buffalo and whale	
88		Learn to fence	
89		Learn jujitsu	
90		Teach a college course	

91		Watch a cremation ceremony in Bali	
92		Explore depths of the sea	
93		Appear in a Tarzan movie	
94		Own a horse, chimpanzee, cheetah, ocelot, and coyote	(yet to own a chimp or cheetah)
95		Become a ham radio operator	
96		Build own telescope	
97		Write a book	(About his Nile trip)
98		Publish an article in National Geographic Magazine	
99		High jump five feet	
100		Broad jump 15 feet	
101		Run mile in five minutes	
102		Weigh 175 pounds stripped	(he still does)
103		Perform 200 sit-ups and 20 pull-ups	
104		Learn French, Spanish and Arabic	
105		Study dragon lizards on Komodo Island	(Boat broke down within 20 miles of island)
106		Visit birthplace of Grandfather Sorenson in Denmark	
107		Visit birthplace of Grandfather Goddard in England	
108		Ship aboard a freighter as a seaman	
109		Read the entire Encyclopedia Britannica	(Has read extensive parts in each volume)
110		Read the Bible from cover to cover	
111		Read the works of Shakespeare, Plato, Aristotle, Dickens, Thoreau, Rousseau, Conrad, Hemingway, Twain, Burroughs, Talmage, Tolstoi, Longfellow, Keats, Poe, Bacon, Whittier, and Emerson	(not every work of each)
112		Become familiar with the compositions of Bach, Beethoven, Debussy, Ibert, Mendelssohn, Lalo, Liszt, Rimski-Korsakov, Respighi, Rachmaninoff, Paganini, Stravinsky, Toch, Tschaikovsky, Verdi	
113		Become proficient in the use of a plane, motorcycle, tractor, surfboard, rifle, pistol, canoe, microscope, football, basketball, bow and arrow, lariat and boomerang	
114		Compose music	
115		Play Clair de Lune on the piano	
116		Watch fire-walking ceremony	(In Bali and Surinam)
117		Milk a poisonous snake	(bitten by diamondback during photo session)
118		Light a match with .22 rifle	
119		Visit a movie studio	
120		Climb Cheops' pyramid	
121		Become a member of the Explorer's Club and the Adventure's Club	
122		Learn to play polo	
123		Travel through the Grand Canyon on foot and by boat	
124		Circumnavigate the globe	(four times)
125		Visit the moon	("Someday, if God wills")
126		Marry and have children	(has six children)
127		Live to see the 21st century	