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LIFE IS A BEACH

Jens Pedersen, Denmark, 2017 
 22 min. | DK/Documentary | Children's films



Javed has already moved from home and lives on the beach with his good friend Shahidul outside Bangladesh. Javed has dropped out of 2nd grade because his teacher was beating him. He now makes a living together with Shahidul by giving people massage on the beach so he can afford food and to surf. Javed both skates and surfs as much as he can. There is a big surf competition coming up that he wants to win. But his mother wants him to move back home, so he can make money for the family. At the same time his surfing teacher pushes him to go back to school. What should he do? He almost wins the surf contest and afterwards comes to the conclusion with his best friend and surfing teacher that he will go back to school and that it is alright as long as his mum will respect that he continues to surf in his spare time.

Basic information

Credits



Original title

Børnene på silkevejen 5:5 - Beach Boys

Danish title

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International titles	Kids on the Silk Road 5 - Life is a Beach
Other titles	Børnene på Silkevejen 5:5
Part of	Kids on the Silk Road
Keywords	Children in foreign countries , Bangladesh , Children , Boys , Surfing , Competitions , Dreams of the future , Friendship
Director	Jens Pedersen
Producer	Maria Stevnbak Westergren
Director of Photography	Jens Pedersen
Editor	Jesper Osmund
Sound	Hans Møller
Composer	Halfdan E
Production country	Denmark
Domestic distribution	Danske Filminstitut
International sales	Autlook Filmsales
Online release	25.09.2017
Comment	Selected for IDFA's Competition for Kids & Docs. "Kids on the Silk Road" is a series of five documentaries for children aged 10-12 about their peers living in the ancient Silk Road countries in Central and South East Asia. Director Jens Pedersen had his children's series Faith Hope Afghanistan (2013) selected for IDFA.
Danish rating	Allowed for all

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