



Figure 2. IM pinching both wings of the moth with both hands and slowly pulling it apart on the soles of her feet while lying supine (image taken from video footage).

It is common for human children to capture, play with, and sometimes kill still-living insects with no apparent purpose. It is possible that both humans and chimpanzees, especially youngsters, share a common inclination to become interested in, and sometimes enjoy playing with, an animate object.

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The 1st MWCS Scholarship Student Awarded Diploma

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I am pleased to announce that Mr. Butati R. Nyundo, a grantee of the MWCS Special Scholarship, successfully completed a two-year course programme for ordinary diploma in wildlife management at the College of African Wildlife Management, Mweka (CAWM), Tanzania and attended the graduation ceremony taking place on the 25th of October, 2013 in order to get his diploma (Photo 1). This was MWCS's first attempt to offer an opportunity for high education to a prospective young person eager for wildlife conservation at Mahale. We will examine how it will work and what we can do to contribute to the community-based conservation in this area, while keeping in touch with Mr. Nyundo and giving him support, if necessary. We hope conservational efforts will thrive at Mahale in the hands of the Tongwe, the indigenous people there. Mr. Nyundo himself aspires to work for the Mahale Mountains National Park and to contribute to protection of the natural environments from any kind of harmful factors.

The following is his report on his three-month activities as a volunteer teacher at Buhingu Secondary School and Katumbi Primary School. Such activities had been assigned him by MWCS as an extended programme of the scholarship. Acknowledgements are due to all those who have supported our aims and activities as members and/or donors.



Photo 1. Mr. Butati R. Nyundo after graduation ceremony.

My teaching experience at my hometown

Butati R. Nyundo

Mahale Mountains National Park

As soon as I completed my studies at CAWM, I went