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12 YEARS FOR DEAF PERV KID ABUSER; COURT

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AN ex-climbing instructor for the deaf was yesterday jailed for 12 years for sexually abusing children on camping trips in Scotland.

Colin MacDonald, 61, was found guilty of molesting and assaulting 10 boys from 1973 to 1981 in the Highlands, islands and Glasgow.

Victims cheered at the High Court in Edinburgh as judge Lord Malcolm, who is deaf, gave him a lengthy jail term. He told him " You took advantage of their vulnerability for your own gratification."

During the trial, victims gave harrowing accounts of how MacDonald, who is deaf, plied them with drink before forcing himself on them.

Afterwards, several victims waived right to anonymity. James Colhoun, 48, of Glasgow, said: "To get 12 years was fantastic. We still suffer." Joseph McIntyre, 46, of Balloch, in Dunbartonshire, said: "I hope he goes to Hell."

MacDonald, of Wakefield, Yorks, was also put on the sex offenders' register.

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