**Who Am I – Question 5**

1. I was born in Middlesex in May of 1926.
2. I am considered a national treasure in Britain although I don’t personally like this term.
3. I had an older brother called Richard who was an actor and a younger brother John who was an executive for Alfa Romeo.
4. I grew up on the campus of the University of Leicester where my father Frederick was the principal.
5. I spent my childhood collecting fossils, stones and other natural specimens.
6. During World War Two my parents fostered two Jewish refugee girls.
7. In 1952 I joined the BBC but was initially discouraged from appearing in front of the camera as it was considered by some that my teeth were too big. One of my early projects was a quiz show called, Animal, Vegetable, Mineral?
8. In 1957 I founded the Travel and Exploration Unit at the BBC, this allowed me to continue to front the program Zoo Quest.
9. Some of the successful documentary series I have been involved with include, The Blue Planet, Planet Earth, Life, Nature’s Great Events and Frozen Planet.
10. By 2013 I had amassed 32 honorary degrees from British universities. I have had at least 15 species and genera named in my honour, including a Madagascan ghost shrimp and a Peruvian frog. I was knighted in 1985. My first name is David and my surname begins with an A.

I am.

**Answer**

Sir David Attenborough