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Polish climbers in heroic Himalaya rescue

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THE ARTICLE

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A dramatic nighttime rescue has taken place on one of the world's most dangerous mountains. A team of elite mountain climbers from Poland made a hazardous night ascent of the 8,126-meter-high Nanga Parbat in the Pakistani Himalayas. The peak is widely known as "Killer Mountain" because of the number of climbers who have perished there. The Polish team rescued French climber Elisabeth Revol from the slopes of Nanga Parbat. She was reported to have been 7,400 meters up on the icy slopes. Unfortunately, a Polish climber Ms Revol had been climbing with remains missing. The conditions were too treacherous for the rescuers to spend any further time on the rescue mission.

The team of Polish climbers had been attempting the first ever winter ascent of the nearby K2 mountain, the second highest summit in the world. The drama began on Saturday afternoon when military helicopters spotted Revol in distress. The helicopters picked up the Polish climbers from K2 and flew them to Nanga Parbat, where they were dropped off at an altitude of 4,900 meters. The team then made its daring attempt in pitch darkness. Unfortunately, conditions were too perilous for Ms Revol's co-climber Tomasz Mackiewicz to be rescued. A rescuer said: "The rescue for Tomasz is unfortunately not possible. Because of the weather and altitude it would put the life of rescuers in extreme danger."

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WARM-UPS

1. THE HIMALAYAS: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about the Himalayas. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

nighttime / rescue / mountains / climbers / Himalayas / icy / missing / mission / winter / K2 / summit / drama / helicopters / altitude / darkness / weather / danger

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. BANNED: Students A **strongly** believe climbing dangerous mountains should be banned; Students B **strongly** believe it shouldn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. RESCUE: How difficult might these rescues be? What safety precautions would rescuers need to take? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

Rescue	Difficulties	Safety Precautions
Mt Everest		
Deep in the desert		
The deepest Amazon		
The Moon		
The South Pole		
A collapsed building		

5. ELITE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "elite". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. DANGEROUS RESCUES: Rank these with your partner. Put the most dangerous rescues at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- mountains
- earthquakes
- deep sea
- space station
- burning building
- flood
- hostage
- avalanche

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|--------------|---|
| 1. dramatic | a. A climb or walk to the top of a mountain or hill. |
| 2. rescue | b. A special part of a group that is superior to the rest in terms of ability or qualities. |
| 3. elite | c. Save someone from a dangerous or worrying situation. |
| 4. hazardous | d. Died, usually in a violent, sudden, or untimely way. |
| 5. ascent | e. Of an event or circumstance that is sudden and shocking or amazing. |
| 6. peak | f. Very risky and dangerous. |
| 7. perished | g. The pointed top of a mountain. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|---------------|---|
| 8. attempting | h. An exciting, emotional, or unexpected series of events or set of circumstances. |
| 9. drama | i. As black as tar (very black). |
| 10. distress | j. Reaching a high or the highest degree; very great. |
| 11. altitude | k. The state of someone when in danger or difficulty and needing help. |
| 12. pitch | l. Full of danger and risk to the extent that it could lead to disaster or ruin. |
| 13. perilous | m. The height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level. |
| 14. extreme | n. Making an effort to achieve or complete something, usually a difficult task or action. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180130-himalayas.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. The article said the mountain is the world's most dangerous. **T / F**
- b. Mount Nanga Parbat is over 8,000 meters high. **T / F**
- c. The mountain is notorious for being deadly. **T / F**
- d. A co-climber of the rescued woman is still missing. **T / F**
- e. The rescuers had been climbing on the world's second highest mountain. **T / F**
- f. A small airplane spotted the climber on the mountain. **T / F**
- g. The rescuers were dropped off at an altitude of 9,400 meters. **T / F**
- h. The rescuers said a lack of fuel made it difficult to continue the rescue. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| 1. hazardous | a. sadly |
| 2. ascent | b. is still |
| 3. known | c. danger |
| 4. perished | d. climb |
| 5. remains | e. very great |
| 6. summit | f. risky |
| 7. distress | g. height |
| 8. altitude | h. died |
| 9. unfortunately | i. peak |
| 10. extreme | j. recognized |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---|---------------------------------|
| 1. A dramatic nighttime rescue | a. have perished there |
| 2. A team of elite | b. danger |
| 3. the number of climbers who | c. treacherous for the rescuers |
| 4. reported to have been 7,400 meters | d. summit in the world |
| 5. The conditions were too | e. altitude of 4,900 meters |
| 6. the first ever winter ascent of the | f. has taken place |
| 7. the second highest | g. helicopters |
| 8. military | h. up on the icy slopes |
| 9. they were dropped off at an | i. mountain climbers |
| 10. put the life of rescuers in extreme | j. nearby K2 mountain |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180130-himalayas.html>

A dramatic nighttime (1) _____ has taken place on one of the world's most dangerous mountains. A team of (2) _____ mountain climbers from Poland made a hazardous night (3) _____ of the 8,126-meter-high Nanga Parbat in the Pakistani Himalayas. The peak is (4) _____ known as "Killer Mountain" because of the number of climbers who have (5) _____ there. The Polish team rescued French climber Elisabeth Revol from the (6) _____ of Nanga Parbat. She was reported to have been 7,400 meters up on the (7) _____ slopes. Unfortunately, a Polish climber Ms Revol had been climbing with remains missing. The conditions were too treacherous for the rescuers to spend any (8) _____ time on the rescue mission.

widely
slopes
rescue
further
ascent
icy
elite
perished

The team of Polish climbers had been attempting the first (9) _____ winter ascent of the nearby K2 mountain, the second highest (10) _____ in the world. The drama began on Saturday afternoon when military helicopters spotted Revol in (11) _____. The helicopters picked up the Polish climbers from K2 and flew them to Nanga Parbat, where they were dropped off at an (12) _____ of 4,900 meters. The team then made its (13) _____ attempt in pitch darkness. Unfortunately, (14) _____ were too perilous for Ms Revol's co-climber Tomasz Mackiewicz to be rescued. A (15) _____ said: "The rescue for Tomasz is unfortunately not possible. Because of the weather and altitude it would put the life of rescuers in (16) _____ danger."

altitude
summit
rescuer
daring
extreme
ever
distress
conditions

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180130-himalayas.html>

- 1) A team of elite mountain climbers from Poland made a hazardous _____
 - a. night decent
 - b. night as scent
 - c. night ascent
 - d. night a scent
- 2) known as "Killer Mountain" because of the number of climbers _____ there
 - a. who have perished
 - b. who have perishing
 - c. who have parish
 - d. who have polished
- 3) She was reported to have been 7,400 meters up on _____
 - a. the iced tea slopes
 - b. the ice sea slopes
 - c. the iced sea slopes
 - d. the icy slopes
- 4) a Polish climber Ms Revol had been climbing _____ missing
 - a. with remain
 - b. with remnants
 - c. with rim mains
 - d. with remains
- 5) too treacherous for the rescuers to spend any further time on _____
 - a. the rescue mission
 - b. the rescues missing
 - c. the rescue miss on
 - d. the rescues mission
- 6) the first ever winter ascent of the nearby K2 mountain, the second highest _____
 - a. summit on the world
 - b. summit in the world
 - c. summit of the world
 - d. summit at the world
- 7) The drama began on Saturday afternoon when military helicopters spotted _____
 - a. Revol in distress
 - b. Revol in this dress
 - c. Revol in de-stress
 - d. Revol indie stress
- 8) flew them to Nanga Parbat, where they were dropped off at an _____ meters
 - a. attitude of 4,900
 - b. all to tube of 4,900
 - c. alt tuba of 4,900
 - d. altitude of 4,900
- 9) The team then made its daring _____ darkness
 - a. attempting pitch
 - b. attempts in pitch
 - c. attempt tin pitch
 - d. attempt in pitch
- 10) Because of the weather and altitude it would put the life of rescuers _____
 - a. in ex-stream danger
 - b. in ex-dream danger
 - c. in extreme danger
 - d. in next ream danger

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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The team of Polish climbers had been attempting the (7) _____ ascent of the nearby K2 mountain, the second highest summit in the world. The (8) _____ Saturday afternoon when military helicopters spotted Revol in distress. The helicopters picked up the Polish climbers from K2 and flew them to Nanga Parbat, where they were dropped off (9) _____ of 4,900 meters. The team then made (10) _____ in pitch darkness. Unfortunately, conditions (11) _____ for Ms Revol's co-climber Tomasz Mackiewicz to be rescued. A rescuer said: "The rescue for Tomasz is unfortunately not possible. Because of the weather and altitude it would put the life of rescuers (12) _____."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180130-himalayas.html>

1. At what time of the day did the rescue take place?
2. How high is the mountain Nanga Parbat?
3. What is Nanga Parbat also known as?
4. What is the nationality of the lady who was rescued?
5. What did the rescuers say about the rescue conditions?
6. What was the name of the nearby mountain?
7. On what day of the week did the rescue take place?
8. What kind of vehicles were used to spot the climber?
9. At what altitude was the rescue team dropped off?
10. What else besides altitude may have endangered the lives of rescuers?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180130-himalayas.html>

- 1) At what time of the day did the rescue take place?
 - a) nighttime
 - b) dusk
 - c) dawn
 - d) lunchtime
- 2) How high is the mountain Nanga Parbat?
 - a) 8,162 meters
 - b) 8,612 meters
 - c) 8,126 meters
 - d) 8,216 meters
- 3) What is Nanga Parbat also known as?
 - a) Father Parbat
 - b) Killer Mountain
 - c) Devil Mountain
 - d) Father Mountain
- 4) What is the nationality of the lady who was rescued?
 - a) Peruvian
 - b) Polish
 - c) Nepalese
 - d) French
- 5) What did the rescuers say about the rescue conditions?
 - a) they were treacherous
 - b) they were challenging
 - c) they were harsh
 - d) they were cold
- 6) What was the name of the nearby mountain?
 - a) Q8
 - b) X4
 - c) J3
 - d) K2
- 7) On what day of the week did the rescue take place?
 - a) Tuesday
 - b) Saturday
 - c) Monday
 - d) Sunday
- 8) What kind of vehicles were used to spot the climber?
 - a) snow mobiles
 - b) drones
 - c) light aircraft
 - d) helicopters
- 9) At what altitude was the rescue team dropped off?
 - a) 49,000 feet
 - b) 4,900 feet
 - c) 4,900 meters
 - d) 490 meters
- 10) What else besides altitude may have endangered the lives of rescuers?
 - a) no water
 - b) weather
 - c) lack of light
 - d) no batteries

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Mountain Rescue

You think mountain rescues are the most dangerous. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their rescues. Also, tell the others which is the least dangerous of these (and why): deep sea rescues, space station rescues or hostage rescues.

Role B – Deep Sea Rescue

You think deep sea rescues are the most dangerous. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their rescues. Also, tell the others which is the least dangerous of these (and why): mountain rescues, space station rescues or hostage rescues.

Role C – Space Station Rescue

You think space station rescues are the most dangerous. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their rescues. Also, tell the others which is the least dangerous of these (and why): deep sea rescues, mountain rescues or hostage rescues.

Role D – Hostage Rescue

You think hostage rescues are the most dangerous. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their rescues. Also, tell the others which is the least dangerous of these (and why): deep sea rescues, space station rescues or mountain rescues.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

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1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'heroic' and 'rescue'.

heroic	rescue
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• place• night• because• 7,400• remains• further	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• attempting• drama• flew• 4,900• conditions• life
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THE HIMALAYAS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about the Himalayas in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

THE HIMALAYAS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'Himalayas'?
3. What do you think of mountain climbing?
4. How dangerous is climbing in the Himalayas?
5. What advice do you have for the rescued climber?
6. What would it be like to be lost in the Himalayas?
7. Should climbing in the Himalayas be banned?
8. What training do you need to be a mountain rescuer?
9. Have you ever done anything heroic?
10. What's the biggest danger you've ever been in?

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THE HIMALAYAS DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'rescue'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about the Himalayas?
15. How would you feel if you climbed to the top of Mt. Everest?
16. How should you prepare for a Himalaya climb?
17. Why do people climb dangerous mountains?
18. Should the Himalayas be protected from climbers?
19. What's the most dangerous thing you've ever done?
20. What questions would you like to ask the rescuers?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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The team of Polish climbers had been attempting the first (7) _____ winter ascent of the nearby K2 mountain, the second highest (8) _____ in the world. The drama began on Saturday afternoon when military helicopters spotted Revol (9) _____ distress. The helicopters picked up the Polish climbers from K2 and flew them to Nanga Parbat, where they were dropped off at an (10) _____ of 4,900 meters. The team then made its (11) _____ attempt in pitch darkness. Unfortunately, conditions were too perilous for Ms Revol's co-climber Tomasz Mackiewicz to be rescued. A rescuer said: "The rescue for Tomasz is unfortunately not possible. Because of the weather and altitude it would put the life of rescuers in (12) _____ danger."

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) dramatist | (b) dramatic | (c) dramatically | (d) dramas |
| 2. | (a) hazard | (b) hazardous | (c) hazardously | (d) hazards |
| 3. | (a) in | (b) to | (c) by | (d) of |
| 4. | (a) perched | (b) perished | (c) parched | (d) parish |
| 5. | (a) sleeps | (b) slaps | (c) slips | (d) slopes |
| 6. | (a) on | (b) by | (c) for | (d) at |
| 7. | (a) ever | (b) even | (c) every | (d) event |
| 8. | (a) summer | (b) summary | (c) summit | (d) summation |
| 9. | (a) of | (b) as | (c) on | (d) in |
| 10. | (a) altitude | (b) attitude | (c) altimeter | (d) attention |
| 11. | (a) daring | (b) darling | (c) dare | (d) dared |
| 12. | (a) extreme | (b) extremity | (c) extremes | (d) extremely |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. A aidrtmca nighttime rescue
2. a hazardous night stacne
3. the number of climbers who have hreensdi there
4. 7,400 meters up on the icy loessp
5. The conditions were too eoarceruhst
6. further time on the rescue nimisso

Paragraph 2

7. the second highest stmimu in the world
8. yrlimati helicopters
9. an tuitlaed of 4,900 meters
10. made its daring ttepatm
11. conditions were too lreiupos
12. in ermeext danger

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180130-himalayas.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () The team of Polish climbers had been attempting the first ever winter ascent of the nearby K2 mountain, the second
- () Himalayas. The peak is widely known as "Killer Mountain" because of the number of climbers who have perished
- () distress. The helicopters picked up the Polish climbers from K2 and flew them to Nanga Parbat, where they
- () highest summit in the world. The drama began on Saturday afternoon when military helicopters spotted Revol in
- () treacherous for the rescuers to spend any further time on the rescue mission.
- () were dropped off at an altitude of 4,900 meters. The team then made its daring attempt in pitch
- () of elite mountain climbers from Poland made a hazardous night ascent of the 8,126-meter-high Nanga Parbat in the Pakistani
- () darkness. Unfortunately, conditions were too perilous for Ms Revol's co-climber Tomasz Mackiewicz to
- () there. The Polish team rescued French climber Elisabeth Revol from the slopes of Nanga Parbat. She was
- () of the weather and altitude it would put the life of rescuers in extreme danger."
- () climber Ms Revol had been climbing with remains missing. The conditions were too
- () reported to have been 7,400 meters up on the icy slopes. Unfortunately, a Polish
- (**1**) A dramatic nighttime rescue has taken place on one of the world's most dangerous mountains. A team
- () be rescued. A rescuer said: "The rescue for Tomasz is unfortunately not possible. Because

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. dangerous one mountains . the world's On most of
2. of elite team A mountain from Poland . climbers
3. The who climbers perished number have there . of
4. to meters 7,400 She was been have reported up .
5. too conditions the The treacherous for rescuers . were
6. ascent the of ever Attempting winter first K2 .
7. picked helicopters climbers up Polish The K2 . from
8. attempt The its darkness . daring team in made
9. possible . rescue Tomasz not The for unfortunately is
10. in would rescuers It of put the extreme danger . life

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180130-himalayas.html>

A dramatic nighttime *rescue / rescuer* has taken place on one of the world's most dangerous mountains. A *team / teem* of elite mountain climbers from Poland made a *hazardous / hazard* night ascent of the 8,126-meter-high Nanga Parbat in the Pakistani Himalayas. The *peek / peak* is widely known as "Killer Mountain" because of the number of climbers who have *persisted / perished* there. The Polish team rescued French climber Elisabeth Revol from the *slopes / slips* of Nanga Parbat. She was reported to *of / have* been 7,400 meters *up / top* on the icy slopes. Unfortunately, a Polish climber Ms Revol had been climbing with *remains / remain* missing. The conditions were too treacherous for the rescuers to spend any *further / farther* time on the rescue mission.

The team of Polish climbers had been *attempted / attempting* the first ever winter *ascent / recent* of the nearby K2 mountain, the second highest summit *in / on* the world. The drama began on Saturday afternoon when military helicopters spotted Revol *in / on* distress. The helicopters picked up the Polish climbers from K2 and *fly / flew* them to Nanga Parbat, where they were dropped off at an *attitude / altitude* of 4,900 meters. The team then made its *baring / daring* attempt in pitch darkness. Unfortunately, conditions were too *precious / perilous* for Ms Revol's co-climber Tomasz Mackiewicz to be rescued. A rescuer said: "The rescue for Tomasz is unfortunately not *possible / possibly*. Because of the weather and altitude it would put the life of rescuers in *extremity / extreme* danger."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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A d r _ m _ t _ c _ n _ g h t t _ m _ r _ s c _ _ h _ s _ t
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. THE HIMALAYAS: Make a poster about the Himalayas. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. CLIMBING BAN: Write a magazine article about banning climbing on dangerous mountains. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on the Himalayas. Ask him/her three questions about the mountains. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to increase safety for climbers. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. e 2. c 3. b 4. f 5. a 6. g 7. d
8. n 9. h 10. k 11. m 12. i 13. l 14. j

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b T c T d T e T f F g F h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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| 1. hazardous | a. risky |
| 2. ascent | b. climb |
| 3. known | c. recognized |
| 4. perished | d. died |
| 5. remains | e. is still |
| 6. summit | f. peak |
| 7. distress | g. danger |
| 8. altitude | h. height |
| 9. unfortunately | i. sadly |
| 10. extreme | j. very great |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. Nighttime
2. 8,126 meters high
3. Killer Mountain
4. French
5. They were treacherous
6. K2
7. A Saturday
8. Helicopters
9. 4,900 meters
10. Weather

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. a 2. c 3. b 4. d 5. a 6. d 7. b 8. d 9. c 10. b

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)