Listening – Mount Everest

You are going to listen to an extract about Mount Everest. Choose the best option (only ONE: A, B, C or D) or complete the sentences as in the example.



Example. *Edmund Hillary and Nepalese sherpa Tenzing Norgay reached the summit of Mount Everest in* _____***1953***_____.

1. Climbing Everest...

A. is as difficult as reaching the South Pole.

B. means going to the second coldest place in the world after the South Pole.

C. is less difficult than reaching the South Pole.

D. is more difficult than reaching the South Pole.

2. In the first expedition to Mount Everest there were...

A. 400 porters and climbers.

B. 360 porters.

C. 360 sherpas and climbers.

D. 360 sherpas and porters.

3. The oldest climber to Mount Everest is an 80 year old citizen from _____.

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4. **In 2007 climbing Everest became a problem because it was...**

- **A.** extremely cold.
- **B.** more dangerous than ever.
- **C.** too full of people.
- **D.** too expensive.

5. **Nowadays, climbing Mount Everest is...**

- **A.** easy if you are rich.
- **B.** easy if you have the right equipment.
- **C.** something anyone can try.
- **D.** still dangerous.

6. **From South Col, the last base before reaching to the _____, it can take 12 hours to walk the last 1.7 kilometres.**

7. **On average, climbing Everest can cost _____ pounds per climber.**

8. **What would be the best title for this listening?**

- **A.** A history of climbing methods.
- **B.** Famous Everest climbers.
- **C.** Mount Everest: a short story.
- **D.** Holidays on Mount Everest.

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