



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 _____.

- 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.