1 **Choose the correct answers.**

1 I know you're tired but don't give _____. Keep running!
a on (b) up c over

2 When did this event _____ place?
a take b make c do

3 Have you come _____ my dictionary? I left it in here.
a over b at c across

4 The bomb hit the building and it blew _____.
a off b up c down

5 I need to find _____ when the film starts.
a in b out c up

2 **Read the blog and choose the correct answers.**

1 Joe Simpson and Simon Yates
a were from Peru.
b met while they were climbing Siula Grande.
(c) had the same ambition.

2 Because of the bad weather
a they didn't get to the top of the mountain.
b Joe had an accident.
c Simon lost the rope.

3 On the way down the mountain Simon
a saved Joe's life.
b saved his own life.
c died.

4 After Joe fell into the hole
a he climbed back up again.
b he found his way home.
c he stayed there for three days.

5 Since 1985 Joe
a has published some books.
b has never climbed again.
c has made a film about his survival.

3 **Write the correct word from the text for each definition.**

1 A person who climbs mountains: *mountaineer*

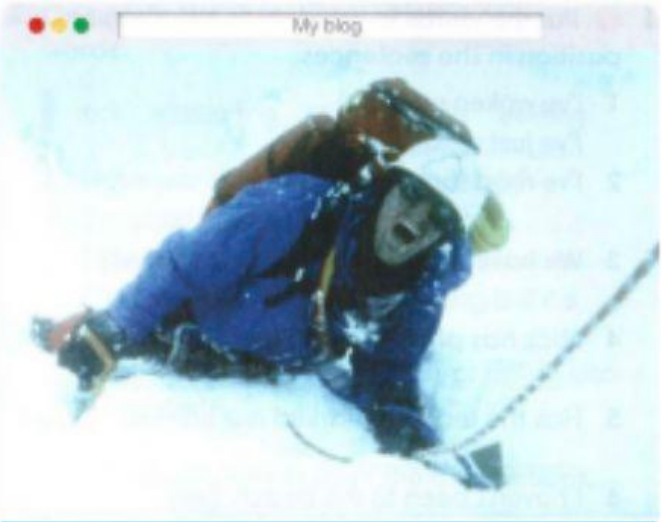
2 A person you work with or do sports with: _____

3 Someone who lives through something dangerous: _____

4 Something we pull or hold on to: _____

5 Doctors do this to make us better: _____

6 A person who makes a film: _____



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I've seen quite a lot of films about survivors but my favourite is a true story about an English mountaineer called Joe Simpson. He climbed a very dangerous mountain, Siula Grande in Peru, in 1985 with his friend and partner Simon Yates. Joe and Simon wanted to be the first people to climb the West Face of the mountain.

When they started the weather was fine but then it changed. The two climbers reached the top successfully but then they had to get back down quickly because of the bad weather. Unfortunately Joe then fell and broke his leg. Simon tried to help his friend get down the mountain. He tied him onto a long rope but the weather got worse and he had to make a terrible decision. He had to cut the rope that was holding Joe or die.

Simon cut the rope and Joe fell into a big hole. Luckily Joe found a way out of the hole at the bottom. It took him three days to get down the rest of the mountain. With his broken leg he could only move very slowly. He had no food or water and when he got to the camp he was nearly dead. But he got there and he lived!

Joe wrote a book called 'Touching the Void' about the experience and in 2003 director Kevin MacDonald made a film with the same title. Since his adventure Joe has had lots of operations on his leg. Doctors told him never to climb again. But he has! He has also written several books and given lots of presentations about climbing. In my opinion 'Touching the Void' is the best film about survival that I've ever seen.

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