

CLOSE-UP B1, Unit 7_Extreme Situations

Vocabulary

Prepositions

A Circle the correct prepositions to complete the phrases.

- 1 **between** / **about** the same size
- 2 the top **of** / **to** the mountain
- 3 **over** / **along** 32 degrees Celsius
- 4 **onto** / **in** a desert
- 5 **below** / **under** freezing
- 6 **in** / **on** the planet
- 7 runs **across** / **of**
- 8 **over** / **above** sea level
- 9 **during** / **over** the years
- 10 **behind** / **in** the water

B Choose the correct answers.

River deep, mountain high!

From the top of the highest mountain to the bottom of the sea, the world is full of extremes. Let's take a look at some of the most amazing ones.

With temperatures well (1) ____ freezing and very strong winds, a mountain top is an extreme place to be! The tallest mountain (2) ____ the planet is, of course, Mount Everest. Its peak rises 8,850 metres (3) ____ sea level. (4) ____ the years, 1,200 people have made the long, lonely climb to the top of Everest!

The Sahara Desert is in North Africa and is (5) ____ the same size as the USA! With so much sun and very little rain, summer temperatures there are often (6) ____ 32° Celsius. The hottest temperature ever recorded on earth was in the Sahara, when the temperature reached 58° Celsius!

The Amazon is one of the longest rivers in the world. It begins in the mountains of Peru, goes (7) ____ South America and ends at the Atlantic Ocean. If you ever go on a journey to the Amazon, be very careful! As well as the lovely pink dolphins there are also some horrible creatures (8) ____ the water, including flesh-eating piranha!

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| 1 a after | b below | c besides |
| 2 a on | b at | c of |
| 3 a among | b along | c above |
| 4 a in | b Over | c Down |
| 5 a about | b between | c opposite |
| 6 a toward | b outside | c over |
| 7 a behind | b across | c onto |
| 8 a in | b outside | c above |