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## Walter Bonatti

Walter Bonatti, one of the greatest alpine mountain climbers of all time, was born in Italy in 1930. As a child, he **(1)**..... his holidays in Bergamo with his uncles. He loved the mountains there, and at the age of 18, he **(2)**..... to climb the highest and most difficult ones. He was one of the **(3)**..... people to do this and he was very **(4)**..... at it.

He went on to climb many other mountains, including the famous K2 in the Himalayas. At the age of just 35, he decided to **(5)**..... his climbing career. However, he continued to work as a mountain guide and photographer. He also wrote several books about his climbing **(6)**....., which are read in all Italian schools.

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| 1 A travelled   | B went        | C spent    |
| 2 A became      | B began       | C turned   |
| 3 A early       | B first       | C soon     |
| 4 A successful  | B interested  | C popular  |
| 5 A shut        | B close       | C end      |
| 6 A experiences | B occupations | C subjects |