7.5 Reading

In 1953, the explorer Edmund Hillary travelled to the Himalayan Mountains with two climbing teams. He was on an expedition to climb the tallest mountain in the world – Mount Everest. The mountain was very dangerous. There was snow and ice, and it was very cold. There were two teams for the climb to the top. The first team tried, but they didn't get there.

Edmund Hillary and his guide Tenzing Norgay were the second team. They started to climb the mountain. Their backpacks were heavy – 14 kg! They had a tent, food and a camera with them. On 29th May, Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay arrived at the top of Mount Everest. Edmund got there first. Edmund took photos of Tenzing and the tall mountain, but he didn't want Tenzing to take a photo of him. So there isn't a photo of Edmund Hillary on the top of the world!

1 Read the text quickly. Answer the question.

How many people got to the top of Mount Everest on May 29th? _____

2 Read the text again. Circle T (true), F (false) or NI (no information).

1 The expedition was in the Himalayan Mountains. (T) / F / NI
2 The weather wasn't cold. T / F / NI
3 There were three men on the first team. T / F / NI
4 The first team didn't get to the top. T / F / NI
5 Edmund Hillary got to the top before Tenzing Norgay. T / F / NI
6 They were very tired. T / F / NI
7 Tenzing didn't want Edmund to take his photo. T / F / NI
8 There isn't a photo of Edmund on the top of Mount Everest. T / F / NI

3 Read the text again. Answer the questions.

1 When did this expedition happen? *1953*
2 What was the name of the mountain? _____
3 How many teams were there? _____
4 How heavy were the backpacks? _____
5 Who arrived at the top first? _____
6 Why isn't there a photo of Edmund at the top? _____

4 Look at the highlighted words in the text. Put them in the correct place in the table.

Nouns	Adjectives	Verbs
explorer	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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