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# Conquering Everest

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Mount Everest is the tallest mountain on Earth. Its peak is located on the border between Nepal and Tibet in China. It is part of the great Himalayan Mountain range.

For many years, climbers tried and failed to reach the summit of Mount Everest. In 1953, the British put everything they had into giving it one more try.



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ever. They were the first to reach the summit of Mount Everest.

When they returned home, journalists kept asking the two men who reached the summit first. Each time they were asked, the response was the same: "We reached it together, as a team."



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1. What is this passage mostly about?
  - a. the first people who climbed on Mount Everest
  - b. the location of Mount Everest
  - c. the first climbers to reach the top of Mount Everest
  - d. the first time Queen Elizabeth climbed Mount Everest



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4. Where is Mount Everest Located?
  - a. Asia
  - b. Western Europe
  - c. North America
  - d. South America
5. Which sentence is an opinion?
  - a. On May 29, 1953, two climbers reached the summit of Mount Everest.
  - b. For many years, climbers had tried to reach the summit of Mount Everest.
  - c. Mount Everest is part of the great Himalayan Mountain range.
  - d. Edmund Hillary and Tenzig Norgay accomplished the greatest climbing feat ever.

6. Do we know the name of the first person to reach the summit? Explain.

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Fill in the missing letters to create a word from the article. Then, write the full word on the line.

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1. \_\_\_\_\_



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4. \_\_\_ \_\_\_ t s

**clue:** acts of skill, strength, or courage

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_ \_\_\_ o \_\_\_ \_\_\_ n

**clue:** crowning of a queen or king

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_ \_\_\_ p \_\_\_

**clue:** country in South Asia

6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_ \_\_\_ a \_\_\_ e d

**clue:** passed something along from one person to another

7. \_\_\_\_\_



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6. Do we know the name of the first person to reach the summit? Explain.

No, we don't know the name of the first person to reach the top.

They told reporters they reached the summit together as a team.

## ANSWER KEY

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7.   r     e     l     a     y     e     d  

**clue:** passed something along from one person to another

7.           relayed