

Going Out – Sports task 15

Before reading, do this task: Read the meaning of the jumbled word: put the letters in the correct order. The first and last letter are already in the correct position:

1. the side of a mountain that is high and very steep

RKFOCARE → _____

2. becoming damaged so that lines or long narrow holes appear

CKRCNAIG → _____

3. to produce liquid on the surface of your skin when you are hot, nervous or ill

SEAWT → _____

4. narrow surface that continues out from the side of a cliff or a wall

LDEGE → _____

Task 24: Now you are going to skim the text: read the headline and subheadlines and study the photo. What do you expect the text to be about?

I think this text is about _____

Now read the text to check your prediction. Were you right?

Move on to the questions underneath the text.

Two climbers reach the top of El Capitan, the world's hardest rock climb

1 Kevin Jorgeson and Tommy Caldwell are climbers. **They** climbed to the top of the Dawn Wall on El Capitan peak, in California's Yosemite National Park. **It** the largest standing granite rock in the world. **It** is nine-hundred and fourteen metres tall. Some people have called it the world's hardest rock climb. **They** seem to be right about that.



Inspirational

2 Jorgeson and Caldwell climbed using only natural rock holds for their hands and feet, **which** they have practiced doing for some time. Rope was used only to stop falls. People watched from the park and online via a live feed. **They** said the climb was exciting and inspirational.

Social Media

3 For nearly eighteen days, the climbers shared details of **their** climb on social media. **They** ate, stretched and slept in hanging tents. The tents hung from the rock face. **It** looked very dangerous, but was in fact quite safe. The pair had to apply lotions to **their** hands to stop the skin from cracking.

No sweat

4 The pair wore headlamps and usually climbed at the end of the day just before it became dark. **This** was because **their** hands wouldn't sweat when the stone was cold. Sweating can be a big problem when trying to grab small stone ledges.

Experience

5 Caldwell had done twelve free climbs on El Capitan before this attempt. Jorgeson had only done one. **They** both trained for five years for the Dawn Wall climb. Jorgeson said he'd do it all over again if **he** got the chance.

*'El Capitan: Yosemite duo summit world's toughest climb' by Rory Carroll
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Task 24

Kevin Jorgeson en Tommy Caldwell zijn:

- Rockers
- Bergbeklimmers
- Wandelaars

Strategy: Reference words

Have you ever heard of reference words? Sure, you know them. But did you also know they can help you understand a text much better and find answers more easily and quickly?

Task 25

Watch the video about reference-words and take notes:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XscHikxp9EQ>

Task 26

Go back to the text above. Highlight all the reference words and write them down in the grid on the left. On the right, fill in what the reference word refers to:

paragraph	Reference word	Refers to
1	they	
	it	
	it	
	they	
2	which	
	they	
3	their	
	it	
	they	
4	this	
	their	
5	they	
	he	

Met opmerkingen [HS|G1]: Dit is weer een kennisblok vaardigheden. Is het mogelijk om die qua lay-out er uit te laten springen? En met de icoontjes erbij? In dit geval is de primaire focus lezen.

Now answer the rest of the questions about the text:

Task 27

Kevin Jorgeson and Tommy Caldwell climbed the top of the Dawn Wall on El Capitan peak. What can you say about this wall?

- a. The Dawn Wall is the largest standing granite rock in the world
- b. You can find the Dawn Wall in the city of California
- c. The wall is more than hundred meters tall.

Task 28

Why did they apply lotions to their hands? Citeer¹ uit de tekst:

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Task 29

Waarom gaan Kevin Jorgeson en Tommy Caldwell klimmen als het bijna donker is?

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¹ Citeer: schrijf letterlijk over uit de tekst