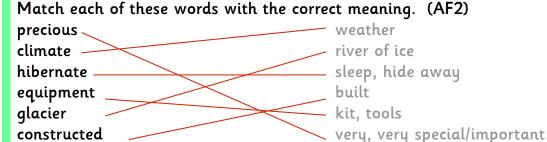
Mountains



What is special about the weather in the mountains? (AF2) The air is colder at the top than at the bottom. It's often windy. Risk of blizzards. The air is thinner high up, so sun gets through easily.

Why do you think Mount Everest is also called Holy Mother? (AF3) It is so big, like a huge mother protecting the people who live close to it. Idea of sacred places might start to come in here.

Find the correct number to complete these sentences: (AF2)

Mount Everest is 8848 metres high.

Mount Everest is more than 60 million years old.

210 people have died on Mount Everest.

What is a glacier? (AF2) A huge area of ice – reward answers which try to explain that it moves downhill like a river.

Give TWO ways that animals have adapted to living in the mountains. (AF2) Goats have hollow hooves; marmots hibernate.

What are yaks, and what are they used for? (AF2) Strong animals – used for transport.

Find and copy one phrase which shows that mountains can be dangerous places. (AF2) "Even on sunny days there can be dangers." "You need to make sure you're prepared." Also any sentence about mountain rescue infers that there are dangers.

What is unusual about the capital city of Ecuador? (AF3) It's the highest capital city in the world; it's built on the slopes of a volcano.

What must you remember if you're going to do any activities in the mountains? (AF2) Be prepared; tell someone what your plans are; take the right clothing and equipment; don't drop litter.

Why do you think some of the words in this text are in grey? (AF4) They are the key words from each paragraph – they tell us what that paragraph is about.

Why is it important not to drop litter in the mountains? (AF3) It's unsightly and dangerous for wildlife.

Find and copy one sentence which contains a LIST. (AF5) "Some famous mountain ranges are: The Alps, The Rockies and the Himalayas."

Choose the sentence below which fits you best. Underline it! Then write a short sentence explaining your choice. (AF6) Personal response.

I would like to go to the mountains to try a new sport.

I would like to go to the mountains to see the animals who live there.

I would like to go to the mountains to see how people live high up.

I would like to work in a mountain rescue team one day.

I wouldn't like to go to the mountains because it sounds dangerous.

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