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Subject: English L-15 The Roof of the World

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## **Pre Activity:**

Do you have a bucket list? What are the things you want to keep in your bucket list?

## New words with meaning:

- 1. Sherpa- a Himalayan person known for his mountaineering skills
- 2. Expedition- a journey set out together by a group of people
- 3. Summit- the top of the mountain
- 4. Howling- producing a loud, painful noise

#### **Answer the following:**

1. Why do you think the Himalayas are called 'the roof of the World'?

Ans- The Himalayas are called 'the roof of the world' as they host the highest mountains that exist on our planet earth.

2. Why did the mountaineers carry oxygen cylinders with them?

Ans- The mountaineers carried oxygen cylinders with them as the air was thinner at higher altitudes and they faced difficulty in breathing.

3. Why is it easier to climb Mount Everest today as compared to the times when Hillary and Norgay climbed it?

Ans- It is easier to climb Mount Everest now as we have modern equipment as well as Sherpa guides to help the eager climbers.

4. Why is beautiful mountain Mount Everest also a dangerous place?

Ans- The climate on Mount Everest is very different and difficult. To protect themselves from the harsh cold, the climbers have to wear layers and layers of warm clothes. The mountain is covered with thick ice and the air becomes thinner at higher altitudes. Therefore, it is a dangerous place.

5. How did Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay share their experience of climbing Mount Everest with the world?

Ans- Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay shared their experience of climbing Mount Everest by writing a book about their adventures.

6. Why has the government set rules for mountain climbers?

Ans- The government has set rules for mountain climbers to bring back all their waste material with them. They do not want the world's highest mountain to be dirty and polluted.

7. Why should we make sure that the tallest mountain in the world is clean and free from any kind of pollution?

Ans- It is important to keep the highest mountain clean and pollution free as it affects the environment. It is not a good sight when a lot of empty cans, torn pieces of tents, and oxygen cylinders lie on the mountainside. We should keep not only Mount Everest clean but all our surroundings clean.

#### **Reference to Context:**

- a. Mount Everest is an extremely wonderful and a beautiful mountain. At the same time, it is also a dangerous place.
- i. Where is Mount Everest Situated?

Ans- Mount Everest is a part of the Himalayan range and is situated in Nepal.

ii. Describe Mount Everest.

Ans- Mount Everest is the highest mountain in the world. It is covered with thick ice.

iii. Why is Mount Everest dangerous?

Ans- It has steep slopes. Mount Everest has thick ice and harsh weather. Oxygen is also less at high altitudes.

- b. "In 1995, one team collected an unbelievable amount of 560 kilograms of waste material!"
- i. Where was this waste materials collected from?

Ans- Waste material was collected from Mount Everest.

ii. Who are these teams?

Ans- These teams were the teams of climbers.

iii. How did so much waste material get collected?

Ans- Mountaineers threw their rubbish on the mountainside making it dirty and polluted. Climbers discarded things like old cans, torn pieces of tents, and even oxygen cylinders.

iv. Why are people collecting the waste material from Himalayas?

Ans- The climbers want it to be clean and free from any kind of pollution. This is why they collect waste material.			
Post Activity:			
Did you like the story of Tenzing Norgay and Edmund Hillary? What did you learn from their story?			
Ans- Yes, I liked the story of Tenzing Norgay and Edmund Hillary. I learnt that one should not be afraid of challenges in life. One should work on it with persistence and achieve success.			
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