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**Level 0** – 22nd February 2024

## **Mt Everest climbers must now keep their poo**

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2402/240222-mount-everest-poo-0.html>

Mount Everest is the world's highest mountain. Climbers are leaving a lot of poo on the slopes. A local said the mountain now stinks. He added that he can see poo on rocks, and some climbers are getting sick. Climbers must now buy a "poop bag" for their poo. They throw it away when they come down from the mountain.

The problem of waste on Everest is growing. Climbers leave camping equipment and cans of oxygen there. There may also be over three tons of human poo. Most of this freezes. It does not degrade. The poop bags will help to keep Everest cleaner. They will be good for the health of climbers and the mountain.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-68237123>  
<https://www.scmp.com/news/asia/south-asia/article/3251452/mount-everest-climbers-must-now-buy-poop-bags-and-bring-their-waste-down-our-mountains-have-begun>  
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# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. the world's               | a. sick              |
| 2. leaving a lot of          | b. it away           |
| 3. A local said the mountain | c. poo on the slopes |
| 4. he can see poo            | d. from the mountain |
| 5. climbers are getting      | e. for their poo     |
| 6. buy a "poop bag"          | f. now stinks        |
| 7. They throw                | g. highest mountain  |
| 8. come down                 | h. on rocks          |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. The problem          | a. this freezes |
| 2. camping              | b. oxygen       |
| 3. cans of              | c. cleaner      |
| 4. three tons of        | d. of climbers  |
| 5. Most of              | e. of waste     |
| 6. It does not          | f. human poo    |
| 7. help to keep Everest | g. equipment    |
| 8. good for the health  | h. degrade      |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2402/240222-mount-everest-poo-0.html>

Mount Everest is (1) \_\_\_\_\_ mountain. Climbers are (2) \_\_\_\_\_ of poo on the slopes. A local said the (3) \_\_\_\_\_. He added that he can see (4) \_\_\_\_\_, and some climbers are getting sick. Climbers (5) \_\_\_\_\_ a "poop bag" for their poo. They throw it away when they (6) \_\_\_\_\_ the mountain.

The (7) \_\_\_\_\_ on Everest is growing. Climbers leave camping equipment and (8) \_\_\_\_\_ there. There may (9) \_\_\_\_\_ three tons of human poo. Most of this freezes. It (10) \_\_\_\_\_. The poop bags will (11) \_\_\_\_\_ Everest cleaner. They will be good for the health of climbers (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# POO SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2402/240222-mount-everest-poo-0.html>

Write five GOOD questions about poo in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

