Read the story below THREE TIMES. When you are finished reading write only the answers for the questions, in FULL SENTENCES in your language book 1.

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## Read and visual comprehension

1. Read the following story (three times), and answer the following questions in full sentences.

## **Conquering Everest**

Mount Everest is the highest 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. Many climbers have tried to reach the summit of Mount Everest, but have failed. In 1952, the British government put everything they



had into giving it one more attempt. The British government decided to choose top mountain climbers to try to reach the summit. They chose ten climbers from all over the world to make the climb. In April and May, camps were set up every 1000 to 2000 feet, and supplies were relayed up the mountain.

On 29 May 1953, two of the climbers set out for the summit from their camp at 27900 feet. On that morning, Edmund P Hillary (from New Zealand) and Tenzing Norgay (from Nepal) accomplished one of the greatest climbing feats ever. They were the first people to reach the summit of Mount Everest!

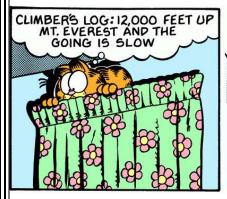
When they returned home, journalists kept asking the two men who reached the summit first. Each time they were asked this question their response was the same: "We reached it together as a team."

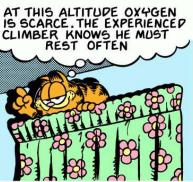
Answer the following questions in full sentences.

- a) What is this passage about?
- b) Where is Mount Everest located?
- c) In what year did the British government choose top mountaineers to try summit Mount Everest?
- d) How far apart were the camps from each other?
- e) Name the first two people to summit Mount Everest?
- f) What was their response when reporters kept asking them who reached the summit first?



2. Visual comprehension Look at the following cartoon and answer the question below in full sentence.







TERM 2

- a) According to the "climber's log", how is the climb going?
- b) According to Garfield in block 2, what happens when you reach this altitude?
- c) In the last block, Jon says, "Now I've seen everything". Does Jon look impressed with Garfield sleeping on top of the curtain? Explain your answer.
- d) Is Garfield a real mountain climber or is he pretending to climb Mount Everest? What did Garfield actually climb up?

Rule off after you have completed the work in your book.

Do not take short cuts! Work neatly and benefit from the time spent on this lesson.