

"Bad dream stops climber's record Everest climb"

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A man decided not to climb Mount Everest because he had a bad (1) _____ from the "Mountain Goddess". The man is a 51-year-old Nepalese Sherpa called Kami Rita. He is not any (2) _____ mountain climber. He is already the record (3) _____ for climbing Mount Everest the most times. He climbed the world's highest (4) _____ for a record 25th time earlier this month. He told reporters: "I was making my 26th (5) _____ and had reached Camp Three, but the weather turned bad and I had a (6) _____ bad dream. The gods were telling me not to go and because I really believe in God, I decided to return." He added: "I take (7) _____ from goddesses". Mr Rita did not give any more (8) _____ about what was in his dream.

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Kami Rita is a climbing (9) _____ and a hero in the Himalayan nation of Nepal. He has the nickname Snow Leopard because of his (10) _____ of experiences in climbing Everest and other mountains. He first (11) _____ Everest in 1994 and has done the climb nearly every year since then. He said he would make another (12) _____ at the climb in 2022, saying: "I felt the Goddess did not want me to go up again this year. After receiving the (13) _____, I returned to Kathmandu. I will go back again next year to (14) _____ my dream." The Sherpa people believe Everest is a goddess. They take (15) _____ in a religious ceremony to pay their (16) _____ to the mountain and to have good luck before starting a climb.

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"Working long hours kills hundreds of thousands"

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The World Health Organization (WHO) and International Labour Organization have issued a (1) _____ warning about the danger of overworking. They said working long hours is causing the (2) _____ death of hundreds of thousands of people worldwide. The two organizations analysed the link between (3) _____ of life and working long hours. Their findings were (4) _____. Around three-quarters of a million workers die early after suffering (5) _____ and heart attacks as a (6) _____ of working over 55 hours a week. Most of these (7) _____ were in people aged 60 to 70 who had worked at least 55 hours between the ages of 45 and 74. The researchers discovered that men (8) _____ for 72 per cent of the deaths.

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The WHO study (9) _____ that people who work at least 55 hours a week have a 42 per cent increased (10) _____ of stroke, and a 19 per cent increased chance of heart disease. Researchers analysed data from (11) _____ in 154 countries. They looked at data collected from 1970 to 2018. The WHO Director-General said: "No job is (12) _____ the risk of stroke or heart disease. Governments, employers and workers need to work together to agree on (13) _____ to protect the health of workers." The WHO said over nine per cent of workers (14) _____. It warned that the situation is worsening, saying: "The (15) _____ is accelerating developments that could feed the (16) _____ towards increased working time."

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revealed
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Complete the sentences with one of the prepositions from the box.

AT - BY - FOR - IN - ON

1. She was _____ university when she heard about the death of her father.
2. We usually go on holidays _____ plane but this year we are going to Italy _____ car.
3. Let's go _____ a walk. The weather is so great!
4. The train was travelling _____ a speed of over 150 km an hour.
5. She got _____ the bus at Oxford Street and got off five stops later.
6. Despite the bad weather all trains are running _____ time.
7. Bats are mammals that are highly active _____ night.
8. This village isn't even _____ the map. It's so small.
9. We usually go to dance class on Mondays.
10. _____ nightfall over 10 inches of snow had fallen.
11. Doctors hope that the spread of the virus will slow down _____ the summer.
12. Dad always reads his daughter bedtime stories _____ the evening.
13. Let's meet _____ noon. We can have lunch and sort things out.
14. The cat was playing with a ball _____ the corner of Michael's room.
15. She has been a member of the committee _____ 6 years.
16. What are we having _____ dinner today?
17. _____ average, the unemployment rate has been going up 1 per cent a year.
18. Take a seat. I'll be with you _____ a minute.
19. We decided to meet _____ the station.
20. The boss would like to have the report _____ the end of the day at the latest.

Choose the correct adjective form for each blank.

1. Halloween was probably the most _____ film I have ever seen
(FRIGHTENED / FRIGHTENING).
2. I always get so _____ when my dad starts speaking English **(EMBARRASSED / EMBARRASSING)**.
3. I am _____ to see how well he gets along with his stepfather. **(SURPRISED /SURPRISING)**
4. The lesson was so _____ that I fell asleep **(BORED / BORING)**.
5. As the big day came closer, my sister became _____ nervous **(INCREASED / INCREASINGLY)**.
6. You've been walking for 5 hours. You must feel _____ **(EXHAUSTED / EXHAUSTING)**.
7. I was _____ when I saw him in that outfit for the first time. **(FRIGHTENED /FRIGHTENING)**
8. I didn't like the film. The plot was rather simple and _____. **(UNINTERESTED / UNINTERESTING)**
9. It's _____ to see how many people didn't care to vote in the last election .
(SURPRISED / SURPRISING)
- 10.You look a bit _____. Don't you know what you're supposed to do ?
(CONFUSED / CONFUSING)
- 11.I saw that my boss was very _____ with how I behaved . **(ANNOYED / ANNOYING)**
- 12.They were all very _____ by the performance of the actors. **(IMPRESSED / IMPRESSING)**
- 13.The school trip was really _____. I learned a lot of things I hadn't known before . **(EXCITED / EXCITING)**
- 14.It was _____ to have met such a great movie star. **(THRILLED / THRILLING)**
- 15.We were _____ when we found out that his sister was on the plane that went missing. **(WORRIED / WORRYING)**

Form questions which ask for the underlined words.

1. This is my laptop. **Whose laptop is this?**

2. I usually have lasagne for dinner.

3. My sister lives in the house over there.

4. I am leaving early because my son is ill.

5. My dad likes the blue jacket best.

6. The street festival takes place on the first Friday in August.

7. I use a lot of salt in my cooking.

8. The new hotel is located near the seaside.

9. My sister usually helps me with my homework.

10. They are very worried because they failed the test.

11. Physics is Mary's favourite subject.

12. My best friend is a year older than I am.

13. The new apartment costs \$ 300 a month.

14. Pete's car always makes such a terrible noise.

15. I take the underground to work.
