

Explore

Touching the Void

Key Questions: *Why do people climb? What would you need to do to survive? Why do climbers risk their lives, and those of others, to climb? What are the human and the financial costs? Should a poor country's rescue services be used to help its own citizens or wealthy adventurers who knowingly sought out a deadly mountain?*

Concepts: *Aftermath of exploration, preservation, economic impact, empowerment, cultural and financial achievement*

Key texts: *White Spider: Tony Kurtz*
Kings of the Cloud Forests Michael Morpurgo
Everest: The Remarkable Story of Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay

Geographical Knowledge: *How are mountains formed? We will use maps, atlases, digital mapping to locate countries and describe features studied.*

Key vocabulary: river, waterway, course, tributary, watershed, silt, floodplain, channel, estuary, confluence, ridge, peak, summit, altitude, valley

Sherpa, tourism, adversity

And wherever our journey takes us ...