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- 1 There is a spelling rule that says 'i before e except after c'. This rule tells us the correct order for the vowel blends in 'ie' and 'ei' words. However, there are always exceptions to rules. Circle the correct spelling for each word below. Use the page numbers to help select the correct word.
 - a Just look at the great pyramids of anceint/ancient Egypt, or the temples of the Mayans. (p.5)
 - b Sceintists/Scientists tell us that, even today, the mountain range is still shifting! (p.7)
 - c They beleived/believed that the mountain peak was to be respected from a distance. (p.9)
 - d The number of foreign/foriegn climbing expeditions has increased. (p.10)
 - e Each climb usually begins with a ceremony to receive/recieve the blessings of the gods. (p.10)
 - f Information about the height/hieght of Everest was gathered by the British. (p.13)
- 2 Group the ie/ei words into the chart below.

Matches the rule	Exceptions to the rule

- 3 Select the correct verb from the list to fill the spaces in the text below. Choose carefully as there are extra words listed.

collided, pulled, forced, roughly, drifted, became, arrived,
formed, was, met, there, shifting, climbed

Mount Everest was _____ about sixty million years ago. As the Earth's continents _____ apart, the landmass that is now India _____ with the greater landmass that is now Asia. When the two lands _____, the impact _____ part of the land downwards and the rest upwards, forming the mountain range of the Himalaya. The Himalayas took millions of years to form. Scientists tell us that, even today, the mountain range is still _____!

- 4 On the back of this page make a list of people and groups of people who have played an important role in the history of Mount Everest. Write a single sentence next to each person outlining their role. For example, lamas — lamas come from the nearby monasteries to conduct religious ceremonies before each climb.

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- 1 Some words can be used as both nouns and verbs. Look up the following words in context and write whether the word is a noun or a verb.

Page	Word	Noun — meaning	Verb — meaning	Noun or verb?
11	Flag	Banner	Label	
12	Mount	Mountain	Climb	
13	Survey	Questionnaire	Examine	
16	Summit	Peak	Reach the peak	
17	Fatigue	Army dress	Weaken	
17	Wind	Current of air	Twist	
21	Damage	Injury	Harm	
21	Race	Contest	Compete	
23	Camp	Site	Camp out	

- 2 Climbers face many risks and challenges as they climb to the summit of Mount Everest. List the different challenges faced by climbers in the 1920s and today.



- 3 Commas are often used to include extra information in a sentence. If that information is removed the sentence will still make sense. For example, 'The expedition influenced his decision, three years later, to climb Mount Everest'. Punctuate the following sentences with commas.

- Breathing is difficult and as a result every movement is hard to perform.
- Odell a geologist searched for and found the first fossils on Mount Everest.
- Seventy-five years later in 1999 a research team travelled the same route as Mallory.
- The best equipment in the world at that time was available for the expedition.
- The next morning at 6:30 am Hillary and Norgay departed for the summit.