

## CLIP OF PETE ON MT EVEREST

CHRIS: *So...climbing Everest. Can't get much of a bigger **challenge** than that can you?*

*And would you believe it, our very own Pete...has done it!*

*He's completed the greatest physical challenge known to man (or puppet).*

*Well, I think if we are going to learn something about facing challenges, then we need to get Pete out here...don't you? So let's see if he's there shall we?*

*Shall we shout out something different today?*

*What about '**Pete...you're the man**'*

*AFTER three - '**Pete...you're the man...**' and again...*

CHRIS: *Hey Pete...my man. Give me 5! That was really cool. Climbing Mount Everest. It must have been amazing!?*

Pete: *(in an understated way)* Er, well, it was good...but it was no big deal really... when you are doing extreme sports all the time like me... bungee jumping, paragliding... sky diving etc.

CHRIS: *Yes I remember now, you've told us about that before, in fact you never stop going on about it*

Pete: *Well that's funny you should mention that Chris. (said smugly)*

*Ask me how I got down from the top of Mt Everest.*

CHRIS: *How did you get down from the top of Mt Everest Pete?*

Pete: *Snow board.*

CHRIS: *Snow board? down Mt Everest? It's 5 miles... you're joking!*

Pete: *(sounding a bit smug)* No, snowboarded, all the way.

*Set a new record in fact - 15 minutes from top to bottom*

CHRIS: *Crikey. 15 minutes!*

Pete: *Yep 3 days to get up, 15 minutes to get down*

CHRIS: *Amazing.*

*Well Pete, today's theme is about **Unity** and it seems like you know a thing or 2 about being united in a team to climb Everest, so we wondered if you could give us all a few tips. There must be loads of preparation to do - working with a good team, lots of meetings, team support and hugs, getting the right kit, and gear, oxygen, ice picks, ...those sorts of things...*

Pete: *Don't bother with preparation or teams Chris... I just get on with it.*

*Pick my peak and head straight for it*

CHRIS: *what no back up? route preparation? maps? training? Getting tips from instructors and reading books and stuff like that?*

**Pete:** Don't bother with things like that Chris... takes too much time up. People who are into extreme sports don't waste time like that... we just want to get on with it, take risks, live dangerously. Yeh...

**CHRIS:** Are you sure? Isn't that a bit... well... dangerous.? I saw a TV programme about Chris Bonnington once... man who scaled Everest... and half of it was about the unity of the team he was a part of and the preparation he did.

**Pete:** Chris, not necessary, teams and preparation are for amateurs

**CHRIS:** Like Chris Bonnington you mean... Ooh...what's that? ...*[Chris points to picture of Pete on screen. It's a picture of Pete superimposed on a snow background with bandages and crutches]*

**Pete:** *what*

**CHRIS:** that picture...if I'm not mistaken, that looks like you Pete

**Pete:** oh that...

**CHRIS:** er...what happened Pete?

**Pete:** er, well I had a bit of an accident.

**CHRIS:** You forgot to tell us about that didn't you. What happened?

**Pete:** *(sheepishly)* er, well, about half way up I had a bit of a fall, Chris... didn't realise you needed oxygen and I fainted and because I didn't have any ropes, I fell into a crevasse. Managed to get out but I didn't have a map and no one to help me, so I got lost. Didn't have proper clothes on, so I got hypothermia and had to be rescued by a helicopter.

**CHRIS:** So you didn't snowboard down, did you?

**Pete:** Well, not really. But I was going to... honest Chris, and I would have done it in 15 minutes!.

**CHRIS:** so how did you get to the top then? That was you in the picture after all.

**Pete:** in the helicopter. They took me up before they took me to hospital... so I could see the view

**CHRIS:** I bet the helicopter pilot had a thing or 2 to say to you! Dangerous flight that... at the best of times.

**Pete:** Hmm yes *(shyly)*. He said I should have relied on a team more Chris

**CHRIS:** well we got there in the end...that was what I was hoping you were going to say in the first place. Good teams working in unity are needed if we are to succeed with big challenges. Lets hear what Sue has to say about that in her talk shall we.

**Bye Pete.**