

Prepare to Read

View From the Summit ♦ The Dream Comes True



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Whether training to improve your running time or studying to get an A on your exam, you may have to convince yourself that your goal is worth the effort required to reach it. When Sir Edmund Hillary doubted his ability to reach the top of Mount Everest, he said to himself, “Ed, my boy, this is Everest—you’ve got to push it a bit harder!”

Background

Sir Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay, his climbing partner, were the first two people to reach the summit of Mount Everest in Nepal, 29,028 feet above sea level (the present official height)—the highest spot on Earth. The temperature on the day of their historic achievement was a frigid -27°C .